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### NEW DIRECTIONS IN THE LIBERAL ARTS

Inaugural Symposium





## Mary Baldwin Leadership Society

ON APRIL 23, in a very impressive ceremony, ten students were tapped into Mary Baldwin College's newly organized Leadership Society.

Since 1932 Mary Baldwin has had an honor society for scholarly attainments. Consideration has been given from time to time to founding a leadership society which would include scholarship as one criteria for admission but not the sole qualification. Last fall some of the students began work on this idea. Principles were drawn up in Student Board and approved by the faculty. Later the plan of organization was discussed in one of the student meetings and was given final approval. The organization is set up on the basic principles common to national leadership organizations and the aim is eventually to be able to affiliate with one of these national organizations.

The student committee set standards for membership at the highest levels. The qualifications are leadership, character, service, scholarship. The scholarship requirement is a weighted average of B for the 4 semesters preceding nomination. Not more than 15% of the junior and senior classes can be elected. The group will have service projects for the campus. The group will be self perpetuating and entirely in

student hands, elections being held at the beginning of the second semester each year.

At the request of the Student Board, Dean Martha S. Grafton, Dean Elizabeth Parker, Dr. Mary Humphries, Dr. Marshall M. Brice, and Dr. Herbert S. Turner served as the faculty committee to elect the initial group. All members of the junior and senior classes were invited to nominate those who qualified in their opinion for election, and from their nominations the committee chose ten girls to be the charter members of this new organization.

Chosen were: Julia Deener of Searcy, Ark., senior; Anne McClung of Danville, Va., junior and daughter of *Elizabeth Holladay McClung*, '25; Lucy Fisher, of Fisher, West Va., junior; Barbara Allan, of Richmond, Va., senior; Pat Schendel of Baltimore, Md., senior (*first row in the picture, reading left to right*); Lydia Woods, of Lynchburg, Va., senior and granddaughter of *Bessie Smith Woods*, '92; Libby Ann Withrow of Goshen, Va., senior; Margaret Ann Clarke\* of Richmond, Va., senior; and Ann Singletary of Greenville, S. C. Not pictured, Nancy McMurray of Richmond, Va., senior.

\*Margaret Ann Clarke, you will remember, has held the Russell Scholar Award this year, and Lydia Woods held it last year.

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## ALUMNAE NEWS LETTER

### Cover

Glimpses of the inaugural symposium, "New Directions in the Liberal Arts," are featured on the cover. The symposium, held April 15 and 16, marked the inauguration of President Samuel Reid Spencer, Jr. In the four pictures are seen the Alumnae Association president, Betty Lankford Peek, speaking on behalf of the alumnae; Dr. Dael Wolfe participating in one of the panel discussions; Dr. Spencer as he is formally inducted into his office by Mr. Campbell, chairman of the Board of Trustees; and Dr. Arnold Toynbee as he delivers his address at the inaugural convocation.

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Dr. John Rood Cunningham of Charlotte, N. C., administered the charge of office to Dr. Samuel R. Spencer, Jr., as president. He is Executive Director of the Presbyterian Foundation and was president of Davidson College from 1941 to 1957.

## Charge to the President

M R. CHAIRMAN, President Spencer, and friends, my first word is one of heartiest congratulations to Mary Baldwin College. I do not know of a couple whose personalities, cultural advantages, administrative and academic qualifications and Christian character would be so well suited for the leadership of Mary Baldwin as President Spencer and his capable and charming wife. Meanwhile, I should extend my congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. Spencer upon the great opportunity which opens to them in their new position.

It is a privilege and honor to share in this occasion which is so significant, both to your new President and to this great old institution. It has been my lot to share sacrificially in this transaction more really than many of you know. To be perfectly honest, I tried to keep it from coming to pass. Dr. Spencer was on the staff of his alma mater, Davidson College, when I undertook the Presidency in 1941. He was a very young member of the staff at that time, I assure you. Later, when he had rendered signal service to our nation during World War II, he proceeded to Harvard for his doctorate. When that task was successfully completed, I lured him back to the College as my valuable Assistant in the President's Office. From that position, and with no little self sacrifice, I recommended him to the Trustees as the Dean of Students, a position which he held with great success until you inveigled him away from us last year. Needless to say, I am heartily appreciative of his invitation to share in these exercises and especially to deliver to him a charge. In light of the extended and intimate association we have had in college administration, I can say nothing new to him this evening. I shall not so much attempt a charge as to bring a greeting and an expression of confidence, affection and good wishes.

The position of the college presidency has undergone a marked metamorphosis in our country in recent years. Formerly he was considered *primus inter pares* within the college family. He carried his share of teaching and the faculty members carried their share of administrative work. Today the college president must be just about "all things to all men." He is expected to excel as administrator, scholar, teacher, public relations expert, fund raiser, public speaker, and in church colleges, he must perform some of the functions of the minister whether he be ordained or not. It is, therefore, a many-sided task, a complex responsibility, an all but impossible load of work to which you, Dr. Spencer, have today been inducted. Lest I seem to be discouraging, let me hasten to add that albeit here is a happy and inspiring and honorable position which carries with it many lasting rewards in the areas of friendship, gratitude and approval of God and man.

May I go a step further to impress you with the responsibility and opportunity which attaches to the education of women:

"The role of woman in our society is far more complex than it was just a few short years ago. In the home alone, decisions require discerning judgment based on broad knowledge and background . . . But this is only a part of the complexity. Today, women control 90 per cent of our spending, comprise one-third of our national working force, and own 75 per cent of

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# The Acceptance

I AM GLAD to accept this responsibility in the presence of representatives of the community to which Mary Baldwin belongs - a community which widens in concentric circles from the City of Staunton through the State of Virginia to include the entire South. Mary Baldwin has educated the young women of that community for well over a century.

Dr. Toynbee has underscored tonight the fact that the world badly needs men and women educated both morally and intellectually. This is especially true of the South today. Our region is a paradox of great opportunities and grave problems. Destined, according to some prophets, to become the nation's richest area, it will have to suffer for many years the growing pains of urbanization and industrialization at the same time it struggles with the all pervading problem of race.

The South's leaders for such a time must be men and women stained in principle but understanding for human error and sensitive to the world's ills. To the high purpose of instilling such qualities, shaping character and deepening faith, church colleges like Mary Baldwin are specially dedicated. We are proud of the historic connection of this college with the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

But the South must also have leaders who possess in addition to a reasonable measure of knowledge, real wisdom and flexibility of mind. The only way it can guarantee the production of such men and women is by maintaining institutions of higher learning whose excellence is measured not by regional but by national standards. Let us face facts: Of the hundreds of colleges and universities south of the Mason-Dixon Line, not one is now recognized nationally as equal to the best in other sections of the country.

Most southern institutions are, of course, eager to raise standards. Most of them need new facilities. Mary Baldwin is no exception to this, and plans for new facilities are already being drawn. First priority in our building program will go to a new library which will literally and symbolically be the central feature of our expanded campus.

But a college does not stand or fall on the excellence of its facilities or on the beauty of its campus. It must stand or fall on the quality of its educational program, which in turn rests primarily on the quality of its faculty. For us this symposium represents a renewed emphasis on our educational program. It marks our determination to offer our students an education which is basically sound, but dynamic and imaginative in character.

Let me cite the following as tangible evidences of this determination. I do not pretend that these are all original ideas; we are borrowing freely from others. First, we will install this summer a new language laboratory incorporating the latest in electronic devices for language teaching. Second, we intend to equip an amphitheater-type lecture hall so that we may use the lecture-preceptorial method for several of our large required courses next year. To our present upper division reading program we are adding a broader program of independent reading to be required of all freshmen and sophomores. In connection with this we are establishing a self-service, honor-system book store which will handle Modern

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Dr. Samuel R. Spencer, Jr., whose inauguration as the fifth president of Mary Baldwin College was marked by the symposium "New Directions in the Liberal Arts." Dr. Spencer is a graduate of Davidson College and holds the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Harvard. He came to his present position from Davidson College where he was Dean of Students and Professor of History.

# Distinguished Historians Give Addresses



Dr. Toynbee was introduced by his close personal friend, Edward D. Myers, Professor of Philosophy at Washington and Lee University.

DR. ARNOLD J. TOYNBEE, British historian, delivered the principal address at the inaugural convocation on Tuesday night. Dr. Toynbee is author of the ten-volume "A Study of History." He is a visiting scholar in residence at Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia, this year, and is delivering a series of lectures entitled "A Changing World in the Light of History" on the campus of the University.

At Mary Baldwin, Dr. Toynbee spoke on "The Proper Study of Mankind Is Man." He declared that the present enthusiasm for science and technology has been brought on by a failure in human relations.

"The proper study of mankind is man, but study is fruitless unless it leads to action. The action to which a study of man ought to lead is an attempt first to master ourselves and then to master our relations with each other. The first necessary step is to get rid of self-righteousness and to acquire humility."

Toynbee described as "heartening news" the agreement between the American and Russian governments to exchange visits between citizens in many different walks of life. "This is important," he said, "because it is a realistic attempt to deal with the problem of establishing mutual confidence."

Dr. Bestor, Dr. Spencer, and Mr. Campbell at the luncheon on Wednesday which closed the two-day symposium.

Dr. Arthur E. Bestor, professor of history at the University of Illinois and immediate past president of the Council for Basic Education, was the principal speaker during the luncheon session which closed the two-day symposium.

One of the sharpest critics of American schools, Dr. Bestor declared that vocational and "life adjustment" educational philosophies masquerade as democratic. Officially, they are profoundly anti-democratic, he said. "The notion that a school should satisfy only such needs as pertain to a young person's expected station in life is not a democratic idea. It represents a complete repudiation of the basic concept of democracy. Only by attempting to bring to every child the highest part of man's intellectual heritage can a school claim the distinction of being a democratic school."

"The vocationalists ask only that a man be trained for his job," said Dr. Bestor. "The apostle of life-adjustment education asks only that a man be fitted into the life that others will force him to lead."

"The believer in liberal education asks that a man be prepared to make for himself a life that is worth living."



Bestor charged that the vocational concept of education does not succeed, even at the purely utilitarian level. A purely vocational education, he said, trains a man down to his job, and chains him down as well. A disciplined intellectual education, on the other hand, points a man's career upward, opens doors and proves itself liberal by liberating the man.

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our invested wealth. Through the home, the church and the community an educated woman is a vital bridge to the future. What, where and how she learns today will have a great bearing on the direction our society will take in years to come."

Eighty-five per cent of the teachers in elementary schools in our country are women. Seventy-five per cent of the teachers in our high schools are women. The important role women are playing in education and in molding the character of our children is hard to exaggerate. It was Dr. Charles Duncan McIver, first President of the Women's College of the University of North Carolina, who observed, "When you educate a man, you educate an individual, but when you educate a woman, you educate a family." Your task, then, of heading an institution, teaching young women in the liberal arts and sciences, under the aegis of the Christian Church, is one which the angels themselves might covet.

There are two words which I would emphasize to you in this so-called charge. The one is personal and the other is institutional.

As a personal word, I would say "Look to thyself." When all is said and done, whatever opportunity opens to us, we never get farther than the deep innate qualities of our own lives and characters will carry us. Emerson put it in these oft repeated words: "What you are speaks so loud, I cannot hear what you say." Shakespeare said it even better in these words: "To thine ownself be true and it must follow as the night and day, thou canst not then be false to any man." The single expression by which I remember my Professor of Church History in Theological Seminary, Dr. Henry E. Dosker, was this: "Be thyself, said I to someone, but he could not, for he was no one." What I am trying to emphasize is the importance for you as a gifted person, with a great opportunity for outstanding service, to cultivate yourself to the fullest—your intellectual, social and spiritual life. You may greet each day with the knowledge that you are challenged by it to excellence, to performance which demands of you your best. And in that faith, God is close at hand to supply the strength, the wisdom and the guidance to accomplish His will.

My other word has to do with your task in this noble institution, Mary Baldwin College. There are in this sphere two criteria by which your basic and unmistakable success will be tested. The one is genuine academic excellence. We have been tempted in some of our Church colleges in the past to substitute piety for consecrated grey matter. This is basically an educational institution. Your students and their parents and the Church will assume that it is good education as they commit choice youth into your hands for the one chance they will have for true learning. This demand is a primary one. It calls for teachers who are educated, who can communicate and who love their subjects and their students. No more important responsibility rests upon you as President than in judging and securing the men and women who will have the training, the wisdom and the Christian character to maintain highest standards for themselves and thus guarantee quality work for and with their students. "By their fruits you shall know them."

The other word, and the climax of all that I can say to you, is to urge that day in and day out you guard, cultivate and strengthen the Christian life of Mary Baldwin College. Here is the plus factor in our Church colleges. Our plants, endowments, salaries and educational techniques must not be one whit below others; but, added to such excellence, we must meet the test of Christian education. The Church has not planted her colleges just to assist the state and independent agencies in providing for the intellectual training of youth, valuable and indispensable as that is. The Church seeks to obey the command of her Lord, "Go you and teach." This college is an important arm of the Church. It is a sacred task to which you are called. As you well know and would heartily agree, I am sure, the test of a Christian college is not so simple as the holding of so many chapel exercises or the teaching of so many prescribed courses in the Bible or the reporting annually to a Church court. The deeper test is the daily personal and corporate life of the entire campus, administration, faculty, students, staff and servants. No segment of the institution's life should be considered beyond the pale as we apply this criterion. Dr. Walter L. Lingle, whom you and I both knew and counted our friend, once remarked, "If you would know whether a college is Christian, it might be well to speak to the janitor."

Dr. Kenneth Scott Latourette of Yale has said, "The difference between a Christian college or university and one which does not aspire to be Christian is not primarily in subject matter or in the outline of the curriculum, but in purpose and atmosphere. The distinctive purpose of the Christian college is the growth of Christian character. To this every feature of its life is to be directed, the curriculum and all extra curricular activities. The Christian college is commonly bound together by a common faith in Christ, seeking to prepare its members to serve their

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Library editions and all of the quality paperbacks. Borrowing from Dartmouth's "Great Issues" course, we are instituting next year a Current Issues series which will draw on Washington for speakers in problem areas of domestic and international affairs. For spiritual enrichment we will have John Baillie of New College, Edinburgh, on our campus for a five-day visit in February. We are working on plans for American Studies summer tours to begin in 1959. Finally, to encourage the use of audio-visual aids by all faculty members, we are establishing an audio-visual center to serve all departments.

Even in Mary Baldwin's days as a "seminary," the University Course established by Miss Baldwin, who was a very enlightened educator, served notice that this was to be not a mere finishing school but an educational institution. The persistence and strength of this ideal over the years were manifest in the fact that Mary Baldwin was accredited by the Southern

Association, placed on the old approved list of the American Association of Universities, and its graduates made eligible for A. A. U. W. within the first decade of its existence as a four-year college.

Building on this tradition of concern for academic quality, we are making our plans not for a year or five years, but for fifty years and more. We already have the basic requisite, one for which my predecessors and Dean Martha Grafton are responsible—a stable and highly competent staff and faculty. We are making reasonable progress toward paying them adequate salaries; next year only six members of our entire faculty will earn less than our maximum salary of three years ago. As to applicants for admission, both quality and quantity are climbing steeply. The Presbyterian Church in Virginia is interested in its colleges as never before and will launch a capital funds campaign on their behalf next fall. Alumnae enthusiasm has caused a definite upsurge in our Annual Giving program, to which students, faculty

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## Seven Deans of College Attend Inaugural Symposium



Since 1929, there have been seven deans at Mary Baldwin and all of them were present for the inaugural symposium. Miss Elizabeth Pfohl, now Mrs. Edmund D. Campbell, wife of the chairman of the Board of Trustees, was the dean in 1929. The Campbells live in Arlington, Va. Following Mrs. Campbell was Dr. Elizabeth Hoon, now Mrs. E. Robert Cawley. Mrs. Cawley's husband is a professor of English at Princeton. Miss Elizabeth Poole was the next dean. She is now Mrs. St. George Arnold of Oak Ridge, Tenn. She was succeeded in the office of dean by Miss Inez Morton who is presently dean of women at King College in Bristol, Va. Miss Katherine Sherrill followed Miss Morton. She is now dean of students at Hood College in Frederick, Md. Miss Elizabeth Parker is dean of students at Mary Baldwin now, and Mrs. Thomas Grafton is dean of the college. In the picture above, they are (left to right): Mrs. Cawley, Miss Parker, Miss Sherrill, Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Grafton and Miss Morton.

and trustees have contributed 100 per cent. We cannot help being optimistic about the future.

Many years from now, I hope it can be said that 1957-58 marked a renewed intellectual vigour in the life of this college. Dean Grafton has been fond of saying since the sputniks that "playtime is over" in American education. Certainly the American people can no longer afford to have their colleges serve as institutional baby sitters. We serve notice tonight that we are not only willing, but anxious, to be judged by the quality of the education we offer—quality which is measured by the yardstick of national standards. A college, of course, performs many functions, and a college education has many by-products; but let no one mistake the fact that this college is an educational institution dedicated to enriching the spiritual and intellectual life of its students. It is with this objective foremost in our minds that we look to the years ahead.

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secretary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science; and Dr. Ruth McNeil of the Mary Baldwin music department.

Dr. Young told of his experiments with intensive seminars on foreign areas. His college presents a program of students which includes study of the history, language, and political geography of an area and a visit to that particular area during the summer following the year of intensive study.\*\*

Dr. Wolfe explained that science has been considered to be inconsistent with liberal education because "the teaching of science has failed to measure up to the teaching of the humanities and to its own potentialities." He pointed out that writers of science textbooks have a tendency to add all that is new since the last edition and to delete nothing known earlier. Consequently, the print gets smaller and the books get thicker. The teacher is so busy giving information he has no time to evaluate and criticize. The student has no time to question, digest and think critically.

Science is now, of necessity, a proper part of the liberal arts curriculum, Dr. Wolfe said, but it is necessary for the scientists themselves to learn—"better than most of them now know"—how to teach science as a liberal subject.

Representing Mary Baldwin as a member of the faculty committee on philosophy and the arts, Dr. McNeil described the inter-departmental seminar conducted by the committee and designed to bring understanding of human values.

Students played important roles in the cultural and academic symposium. Four college leaders joined the two panels of educators in the discussion of these experimental advances in course content and methods of teaching. Miss Ann Singletary of Greenville, S. C., and Miss Julia Deener of Searcy, Arkansas, both juniors, represented Mary Baldwin. John Arnold Groobey of Norfolk, Va., represented Washington and Lee University, and Richard E. Weingart of Alexandria, Va., represented Hampden-Sydney.

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day and generation according to the will of God and in the spirit of Christ. This it does through exposing its students to the accumulated wisdom and intellectual, aesthetic, moral and spiritual riches of the ages, through intellectual, moral, and spiritual discipline, through the quality of all phases of its life, and through common worship. It seeks the attainment of this purpose, both by its program and by the less tangible but even more important temper and atmosphere of the entire campus."

And so may I close these words with the ancient benediction: "The Lord bless thee and keep thee, the Lord make His Face shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee; the Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace."

Go forward bravely and confidently in your high career.



Miss Deener



Mr. Groobey



Mr. Weingart



Miss Singletary

\*\*In the last issue of the Mary Baldwin ALUMNAE NEWS LETTER, there is an article entitled "Five Weeks in the Far East." One of Mary Baldwin's alumnae, Margaret Barrier, '50, who is on the faculty at Western College, traveled last summer with the seminar group and this article tells of their experiences.

# SYMPOSIUM HIGHLIGHTS



Above: Dr. Spencer receives the Bible and a copy of the college charter from Trustee Chairman Edmund D. Campbell during the inaugural ceremony. Standing behind Dr. Spencer are the Rev. Hunter B. Blakely, D.D., who delivered the Invocation, Dr. Edward D. Myers who introduced Dr. Toynbee, and the Rev. John Newton Thomas, D.D., who gave the prayer of dedication. Dr. Blakely is Secretary of the Division of Higher Education, Board of Christian Education, Presbyterian Church in the United States. Dr. Myers is Professor of Philosophy at Washington and Lee University and Dr. Thomas is a professor at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va., and a member of the Board of Trustees of the College.

Left: Dr. Cunningham, Dr. Frank Bell Lewis, president of Mary Baldwin College from 1947-1953, now at Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Va., who gave the benediction, Dr. Toynbee, and Board Chairman Edmund D. Campbell.

Below: Under the direction of Mr. Gordon Page, the Mary Baldwin College Choir participated in the inaugural program. Other participants in the program are seated on the platform, while in the foreground can be seen the faculty group.





Seated at the president's table at the luncheon on Wednesday are Mrs. Edmund D. Campbell, the Rev. Philip A. Roberts, Moderator-Elect of the Synod of Virginia, who gave the invocation. Mrs. Spencer, Jr., Dr. Bestor, Mr. Edmund D. Campbell, Dr. Spencer, Mrs. Spencer, Sr., Mr. James W. Jackson, Jr., Assistant to the President and Director of Development, Mrs. J. L. McLean, Dr. Spencer's aunt, and Dr. James W. Jackson, Sr., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Columbia, S. C., of which Dr. Spencer had been a member.



At the luncheon, a representative from the alumnae, Mrs. Betty Lankford Peek, a representative from the City of Staunton, Mr. Richard W. Smith, and a representative from the Church, the Rev. Bernard E. Bain, D.D., spoke briefly. Mrs. Peek is president of the Alumnae Association, Mr. Smith, husband of Kitty Hoge Smith, '41, is Vice-Mayor of Staunton, and Dr. Bain is Moderator of the Synod of Virginia.

Dr. Bain is pictured with Dr. Johnston who served as moderator for the panel discussion "New Directions in Methods of Teaching."



Below is the panel which discussed the subject "New Directions in Methods of Teaching." Speaking is Dr. Brushwood. Other panelists are Ann Singletary, Mary Baldwin student representative, Dr. Alexander, Dr. Carpenter, and the moderator, Dr. Johnston.



## CLUB ACTIVITIES

DURING late winter, alumnae meetings in four cities were arranged to coincide with the itinerary of *Nan Candler*, '57, the alumnae traveling representative for the College. These meetings were held in Atlanta, Birmingham, Memphis, and Nashville. In **Atlanta**, *Jane Durham* Barwick, '43, and *Betty Chatham Neeley*, '49, were in charge of an informal tea held at Jane's home. *Betty McKee Franklin*, '46, arranged for the meeting in **Birmingham**. A luncheon meeting of the **Nashville** Club was held at the Hillwood Country Club. *Reed Munson Beveridge*, '43, is president of this group. *Katherine Potts Wellford*, '49, who has been president of the **Memphis** Club, arranged for the meeting there. At this combination business and social meeting, *Flo Harris Hinson*, '47, was elected as the new president.

At its meeting in late November, the **Charleston** Club decided to have another benefit bridge, a project which had proved successful for them in the spring of '57. The report from *Betty Gronemeyer Wise*, '39, club president, is that the '58 effort was also a success and the money, almost \$100, will be added to the annual giving program of the College. March 26th was the date for a luncheon meeting of the **Chicago** Club to be held at Marshall Fields. *Betty Bennett Kauzor*, '37, is president of the Chicago Club. The **Cleveland** Club, of which *Helen Gansman Graves*, '44, is president, met for lunch at the Women's City Club in February. Plans were made for another meeting in May, at which time they hope to attend the Annual May Show at the Cleveland Art Museum.

President Spence was guest speaker at a luncheon meeting of the **New York** Club held March 8th at the Vanderbilt. *Sally Smith Metzger*, '45, is president of

this club and *Rhea Kincaid Hayward*, '33, is secretary. On that same Saturday, the **Norfolk** group met for a luncheon at the Country Club. For quite a long time there has not been a club in this area, but at this meeting, plans to reorganize the club were completed and the following officers were elected: *Betty Fugate Moore*, '49, president; *Nancy Eaton*, '53, vice-president; and *Mary Margaret Beale*, '56, secretary-treasurer.

Alumnae in the **Philadelphia** and **Wilmington** area have been busy with plans for the fashion show-card party scheduled for Saturday, April 19, at Strawbridges in Wilmington. The **Richmond** Club sponsored a puppet show in March and in May a luncheon is scheduled at which President Spence will be guest speaker. *Hazel Astin Buchanan*, '39, president of the **San Antonio** Club, attended the meeting of the Alumnae Board held at the College on April 15. In November, the **Staunton - Waynesboro - Augusta County** Club held a luncheon meeting at Ingleside Hotel at which Dr. and Mrs. Spence were honor guests. Later that month, the Club gave a reception for Dr. and Mrs. Spence. It was held at the College and was the occasion for people in and around Staunton and Augusta County to meet the new president and his wife. More recently, a number of alumnae assisted with the reception following Dr. Spence's inauguration, while others entertained inaugural guests in their homes. *Kit Kirbighan Carter*, '44, president of this club, attended the meeting of the Alumnae Board on April 15, as did *Marty Kline Chaplin*, '51, president of the Washington Club. In March, the **Washington** area alumnae met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund D. Campbell (Mr. Campbell is president of the Board of Trustees and Mrs. Campbell is the former Dean Elizabeth Pfohl), and President Spence met with the group.

## ALUMNAE BOARD INAUGURAL

## MEETS, ATTENDS SYMPOSIUM

FEELING that the inauguration of our new president Samuel R. Spence, Jr., was a most fitting occasion for the Board of Directors of the Alumnae Association to be present, the members of the Board voted to have the spring meeting at the time of the symposium and inaugural events, April 15 and 16. The meeting was held on April 15, convening at 10 o'clock that morning. Following lunch in the college dining room, the meeting reconvened for a short time, adjourning prior to the opening of the symposium at 2:30.

Members of the Board present were: *Betty Lankford Peck*, President, New York City; *Jean Atkinson*, First Vice-President, Warwick, Va.; *Ouida Caldwell Davis*, Second Vice-President, Charleston, W. Va.; *Fran Dudley Schmid*, Secretary, Staunton; *Fannic Strauss*, Treasurer, Staunton; *Anne Sims Smith*,

Chairman of Alumnae Fund, Staunton; *Margaret DeMund Banta*, Ridgewood, N. J.; *Margaret Barrick*, New York City; *Virginia Gant Kendig*, Salem, Va.; *Betty Gronemeyer Wise*, Charleston, W. Va.; *Anne Woodward*, Staunton; *Dale Peters Bryant*, Falls Church, Va.; *HeLEN Gau Dean*, Fort Defiance, Va.; *Martha Anne Pool*, Winston-Salem, N. C.; and *Hannah Campbell*, Executive Secretary, ex officio.

Club presidents are invited to attend the meetings of the Board, and three were able to do so: *Hazel Astin Buchanan*, San Antonio; *Kit Kirbighan Carter*, Staunton; and *Martha Kline Chaplin*, Alexandria. Also invited to attend this meeting were the members of the Fund Committee, and all of these were able to attend: *Katherine Dyer Dudley*, Waynesboro, Va.; *Nancy Eskridge*, Pulaski, Va.; *Margaret McLaughlin Grove*, Charlottesville, Va.; and *Emma Martin*, Richmond, Va.

**B**ECAUSE in a college the size of Mary Baldwin, students know the members of other classes almost as well as they know their own classmates, a number of alumnae have expressed the desire for a reunion plan that would bring overlapping classes to the campus at the same time.

Beginning at Commencement in 1959 a plan to meet this desire will be inaugurated. This new plan that has been approved by the Board of Directors of the Alumnae Association maintains the "milestone" reunions, the big ones that everyone makes a special effort to attend: the 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, and 50th. Then, in between these, there are combination reunions when several overlapping classes return to the campus the same year.

Each class will observe its 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, and 50th as always.

Then, for its reunion between the 1st and 10th reunions, a class will return on its 4th, 5th, or 6th anniversary, and on the campus at the same time will be two adjoining classes observing their "between the 1st and 10th" reunion.

Between the 10th and 25th, a class will be scheduled to return twice; on its 14th, 15th, or 16th anniversary, and on its 19th, 20th, or 21st anniversary.

Between the 25th and 40th, a class will have two reunions, returning on its 29th, 30th, or 31st anniversary, and on its 34th, 35th, or 36th anniversary. Between the 40th and 50th, there would be one reunion, and the class would return on its 44th, 45th, or 46th anniversary.

The reunion schedule for a long period of years will be worked out in chart form, and this chart will be published in a future issue of the magazine. It will show when a class's every reunion will be held.

Just remember these two things: Wherever you

## REUNIONS WILL BE EVEN MORE FUN—

are, whatever you are doing, and regardless of how out of touch you may be, you can be sure that your class will be returning for its 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, and 50th reunions. And second: You will know, too, that during the years between these milestone reunions, other reunions, in combination with adjoining classes, are to be held and that your class will be scheduled to return sometimes on a quinquennial anniversary, sometimes a year before the quinquennial, and sometimes a year after.

Under this new plan, the classes that are scheduled to return in the next several years are as follows:

| In 1959 | In 1960 | In 1961 | In 1962 |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 09      | 10      | 11      | 12      |
| 19      | 14      | 21      | 22      |
|         | 15      |         |         |
| 28      | 16      | 25      | 31      |
| 29      |         | 26      | 32      |
| 30      | 20      | 27      | 33      |
| 34      | 35      | 36      | 37      |
| 49      | 39      | 45      | 52      |
|         | 40      | 46      |         |
| 53*     | 41      | 47      | 56      |
| 54      |         |         | 57      |
| 55      | 50      | 51      | 58      |
| 58      | 59      | 60      | 61      |

\*The Class of '53 will be holding a reunion this year at commencement so it may be they will want to skip this "combination" reunion in 1959.



### BESSIE A. BELL MEMORIAL

Pictured at the left is the Bell Home which was used as the president's home during part of this year and is now being remodeled for use next year as a dormitory. At the time the property was purchased, the Bell family made a memorial contribution to Mary Baldwin in honor of their mother, Bessie A. Bell, and a bronze nameplate testifies to the long connection of the family with the College.

All four of the Bell sisters attended Mary Baldwin: Margaret Kent Bell, '21, who lived in Staunton but now lives in Clinton, S. C.; Sarah James Bell Wyser, '12, also of Clinton, S. C.; Elizabeth Bell Ricketts, '14, of Greenville, S. C.; and the late Mary Lou Bell, '18, of Staunton. Two of Mrs. Wyser's daughters are also alumnae: Elizabeth Wyser Jordan, '44, of Martinsville, Va., and Mary Kent Wyser Ivey, '50, of Columbus, Ga.

# Class News

## Prior to 1900

*Louisa Snyder Trafton*, '92, was in Jacksonville, Florida, for most of the winter. She expected to return to New York City in May.

Our sympathy is expressed to *Alice Hibbert Steele*, '96, whose husband, Col. W. H. Steele, died in March.

*Roberta Macatee Earl*, '94, has two daughters, Rebecca and Roberta, who teach school in Warren County, Virginia.

*Bessie C. Leftwich*, '99, and her sister *Mabel Leftwich Pelletier*, '03, are living at St. Joseph's Nursing Home in Monroe, Louisiana. *Merrill Proctor Ball*, '99, is living in Williamsburg, Va., at the Peyton Randolph House.

## 1900-1909

### 1908 CLASS REUNION — MAY 31

Our sympathy is expressed to *Permele Elliott Francis*, '00, whose husband, Mr. James D. Francis, died in January. Mr. Francis had served for many years as a member of the Board of Trustees of Mary Baldwin. We also wish to express our sympathy to *Alma Bell Wren Evans*, '00, on the death of her husband, Mr. L. S. Evans.

In December, *Winifred Lee Adderton Bragaw*, '09, wrote that on a recent visit to Norfolk, Va., *Fannie Royster Cooke* came for a MBC chat. Mrs. Bragaw says that she keeps in touch with *Lucy Boyd Trosdale* of Savannah and *Elizabeth Turnball Bernard* of Jacksonville.

*Edna D. Umbach*, '05, writes that she attends the Philadelphia Alumnae Club meetings and enjoys being with the Mary Baldwin girls.

*Mary Fletcher Smythe*, '07, was decorated by the Emperor of Japan in recognition of her forty-one years of service to his country as a Presbyterian missionary. The award is the Order of the Sacred Treasure, Fifth. Mrs. Smythe was recommended to the Emperor for this signal honor by Governor Kuwahara of the Aichi Prefecture.

## 1910-1919

*Euth LaVelle Phipps*, '10, writes that her 20th grandchild was born last October.

Our sympathy is expressed to *Elizabeth Pancake Watt*, '10, whose husband died in January. *Ethel Montgomery Rubush*'s husband died in January, too, while they were on a trip to Florida, and we send sympathy to her.

*Janet Farrar Hill*, '11, who lives in Cleveland, Ohio, has opened her home to some Chinese students, calls them her adopted children. Last fall she couldn't attend the alumnae club meeting because it was on the day that two of her students were being married! *Reba Andrews Arnold*, '11, writes that she has three grandchildren, two girls and a boy.

Our sympathy is expressed to *Mary Elva Glendye Enslow*, '12, whose husband died last November.

*Elisabeth Hodge Riser*, '14, visited the College last fall. She writes: "Saw the new buildings, went up to my old room in Memorial. It was wonderful to be back again." She lives in Columbus Grove, Ohio.

*Stella Mae Thompson*, '15, writes that she is a retired teacher of the Richmond, Va., School System and is living in Richmond. She says she likes to take trips around the U. S. and abroad, too—hopes for a freighter trip next!

*Ruth Prescott Meador*, '16, has three grandchildren, two boys and one girl.

*Leonora McCorkle Gilbreath*, '18, and her husband are living in Bronxville, New York. He is vice-president of the Typhoon Air Conditioning Company in Brooklyn.

## 1920-1924

*Elizabeth Angle Schaefer*, '20, has a son, Clarence, Jr., who is attending Northwestern University. Mrs. Schaefer lives in Buffalo, N. Y.

*Monica Frischkorn Wenzel*, '22, has a son, John Lewis Clark, who is married and lives in Richmond, Va. Mrs. Wenzel writes that she and her roommate, *Frances Gotten Davis*, '23, have kept up their friendship through the years. *Louise Hedges Hartzog*, '22, and her roommate, *Elsie Jones Simpson*, '24, live just around the corner from each other in Greenwood, S. C. Mrs. Hartzog has one daughter married and another still in college, and Mrs. Simpson has a married daughter and a son at the U. of S. C.

We wish to express our sympathy to *Mary Elizabeth Zimmerman Kump*, '23, whose husband, Judge George C. Kump, died last fall. Mrs. Kump lives in Romney, W. Va.

*Carey Folk McNeilly*, son of *Eleanor Folk McNeilly*, '24, was married in February. *Edwynne Herford*, '24, who lives in Albuquerque, N. Mex., writes that she is a cartographic draftsman (mapping) for the Geological Survey, Department of Interior of the government.

## 1925-1929

*Anne Isabel Alvis Bodie* '25 lives in Williamsburg, Va., and hopes that alumnae visiting the Jamestown Festival will look her up.

To *Rachel Henderlite* '26 we express sympathy on the death of her mother last fall. Mrs. Henderlite was an alumna, too, Class of '91.

*Mary Linton Walton Ernest* '26 has a son, Peter, who is at VMI, and two other children, Joe Jr. and Ann. Mary Linton's husband is assistant principal of Warren County High School near Front Royal, Va. *Emily Ramsey Thompson* '26 has been serving as Presbytery president of the Women of the Church in Winchester Presbytery in Virginia. *Elizabeth Roberts Brittain* '26 writes that her daughter was graduated from the U. of Va. Law School,

Class of '56. She is married to a lawyer and they reside and practice in Winchester, Va.

*Martha McDavid Souerville*, who attended the preparatory department in '27, has four children ranging in age from 21 down to 3½, and two between 17 and 9. She wonders if anyone can beat that variety!! Martha and her family live in Birmingham, Ala. From the Buffalo Courier-Express late last summer we learned that R. Wolcott Hooker, husband of *Grace Garden Hooker* '27, who is senior vice-president of the Hooker Electro-Chemical Co., had been appointed chairman of the corporation committee for Niagara University's 10-year development fund program. *Nettie DuBoise Junkin* '27 has been in this country on furlough and visited the College early this year. She will return in August to Taiwan where she teaches in the Presbyterian Bible Institute for Lay Workers. She also writes Sunday school materials for the Children's Dept. of the China Sunday School Association.

Dimity Daniel, daughter of *Eleanor Daniel Cook* '28, was married last fall in the First Baptist Church of Wash-

## Coed at 76

"You're never too young or too old to benefit from a little learning." That is the philosophy of *Edith Holt Sams* of 3227 Kenilworth Lane, Knoxville, Tennessee. And she practices what she preaches.

Last Christmas when Mrs. Sams heard Dr. Robert Hickey was going to teach a course dealing with the poetry, sermons and other writings of Dr. John Donne, she enrolled. Her grade was A.

Mrs. Sams, who is 76 and attended Mary Baldwin Seminary in 1897, said her own views on education, both informal and formal, are pretty well summed up in "Why Stop Learning?" by Dorothy Canfield Fisher. Though a little eye strain prohibited Mrs. Sams from continuing her work during the spring quarter, she feels pretty certain she can get her physician's permission to go back to classes during the summer!

ington, D. C., to Jean Paul de Chezet. Margaret Patterson Mack '28 and her husband are still at Silliman University in the Philippines. Last May, Dr. Mack attended the World Christian Broadcasters' Conference in Frankfurt, Germany. On his return trip he had a sightseeing tour including such places and things as Jerusalem, Geneva, the Taj Mahal at Agra, India, and Bangkok during the 2500th year of Buddha. While he was gone, Margaret vacationed in Manila and attempted to climb Mt. Mayon, a volcano outside Legaspi. Its 8,000 ft. proved too much, but she says she will probably talk about it for the rest of her life! *Ana Wilson Goforth* '28 writes that her first son, Lawrence, was born in 1948; they adopted a second son, John, in 1950; and a daughter, Susan, was born in 1951. They live at Comfort, Tex., where her husband is president of the Comfort State Bank.

*Mary Blackley* '29 was married in March to Robert Burns Taylor. They live in Staunton where he is associated with the Westinghouse Company. *Mary Garland Taylor* '29, a missionary in Brazil, is helping start new Christian Education work in the state of Ceana, Brazil.

### 1930

*Evelyn Baker Arey* has a grandson, Henry Lane Fisher, who is about two years old and a granddaughter, Carol Ann, about 9 months. *Thomas Cox Powell III*, son of *Katherine Duff Powell*, is to be married in June to Sarah Lyn McCabe. Katherine and her family live in Raleigh, N. C.

We learned last fall, but too late to go in the bulletin, of the illness of *Rebecca Price*. Her many friends will be distressed to know that as a result of a tumor on the spine, she is paralyzed from the waist down. She underwent serious and extensive surgery at the Chicago Wesley Memorial Hospital, was for a while at Geneva Community Hospital in Geneva, Ill., and more recently has been at Bellevue Hospital, Rehabilitation Center in New York City. The doctors feel that she will be able to resume teaching after completing the necessary rehabilitation.

### 1931

Class Secretary: *ELIZABETH Crawford ENGLE* (Mrs. R. M.), 147 York Street, Chester, S. C.

#### Dear Classmates:

News from our class is like reading the social column in the local papers! Friends have been or are going everywhere in this country and elsewhere. We always seem to have several abroad or just returned, which adds an exciting touch, especially for us non-travelers. *Ruth See*, *Frances Baker*, and *Robertta Cridlin Vergara* have gone the farthest, I think. However, *Bert Speer Cavanaugh* was going to Jamaica, and *Betty Smith Norton* has been to Mexico and was going back when I heard from her.

It might be interesting for us to set up categories and see who has done

## READING TAUGHT BY NEW METHOD

In January the Richmond *Times-Dispatch* carried an article about a new method for teaching reading which had been developed by Miss Lucile D. Schoolfield and Miss *Josiphine B. Timberlake*, '06. The method, called the phonovisual method, was actually developed in the 40's and Miss Schoolfield, then a speech teacher in the District of Columbia, used it to improve speech deficiencies and found to her surprise that it improved children's reading and spelling as well. In the late 40's, Miss Schoolfield and Miss Timberlake with a third person started a school. They have recently moved into a new building in an outlying section of a Washington suburb.

Over the years, teaching children with IQs ranging from 75 to 143, in kindergarten and the first two grades, they report they have never had a failure. Actually, the method combines several elements of reading instruction. Some of these are phonetics, eye and ear training, spelling, sight reading and speech. "The method is not intended to take the place of any other method," Miss Schoolfield said. "We like to think of it as an extra motor that accelerates the superior child and gives security to the slow learning child, so that he feels his own power will carry him on and not let him drop out of the race."

Inquiries about the method have come in by the hundred, and Miss Timberlake said it is in use somewhere in every state of the Union.

which . . . records we have made, like traveling, teaching so long, being grandmothers, etc. We are definitely falling into those who have done thus-and-so lists by now.

*Betty Smith Norton* writes of the death of her father last fall. Our sympathy goes out to her. Her mother, *Nina Ravenscroft Smith*, '00, will continue

to live in her home in Ridgway, Pa., where she is often visited by Betty and her sister *Lil Smith Flynn*, '32. Betty writes of her own children. Her son, Thane, is living at home and working in the office of a consulting engineer near by. Betsy graduates this year from high school and hopes to go to Stephens. Nina was planning to go with the family to Mexico so they were all studying Spanish! Betty was in a special group that has fun speaking Spanish. There may be no graduate degree forthcoming for this, but it would be good for all of us to do similarly from time to time, as some of you no doubt have done.

Through Betty's help I have renewed an old friendship with Miss Constance Wardle, whom you will recall taught voice to some of us who tried desperately to sing for her but never could quite locate our voices! She wrote of her presentation of promising young artists at well-known New York halls. She teaches as well, has a charming apartment with geranium-filled window boxes, and sound ed as if life was being very full and enjoyable. Call her some time when you are in New York. She'd love it. Articles and her picture appear in *Musical America* occasionally.

*Katherine Crockett Cole*, '33, lives here, y'know, and when her daughter brought her daughter to be baptized last fall, my husband performed the rite and I was one of the two outsiders present. She's quite a cutie, a fifth generation Katherine, called "Kay." Katherine's only son was married recently to a Broadway, Va., girl. They work and live in Washington, D. C.

*Mildred Hobbs Graham*, who lives at New Cumberland, W. Va., writes that her husband's business is that of partner in a general store. They have a daughter who graduated from Penn State, is married and has a daughter. Her son-in-law is Public Relations Director for Penn State Education Association. Mildred is regent of her local DAR, and active in club and community work.

*Margaret Fitz-Hugh Smith* married a dentist and still lives in Charlottesville. Dana, their daughter, is 15 and a student at St. Margaret's. When Margaret visits Dana, she sees *Coty Neale Dowell* and they giggle together over old times and new. Wish we could all be there! Margaret has a son, 12, a basketball fiend. She writes of *Virginia Burke Robertson*, '30, who has a son and daughter and who, like Margaret, has a husband who raises Angus cattle! Another old MBC girl lives in Ch'ville, *Rosa Lee Ott Davis*, '33, who has a 16-year-old daughter at Stuart Hall and a son at VMI. Her husband is mayor of Ch'ville!

*Betsy Ross Bevis* wrote a wonderful letter about her family, seeing *Harriet Seem* Neff often, passing *Jane Griffin Dix* on the Princeton campus, and how she, "Seemie," "Hannie" Baker, and *Hebbie Parker* went to *Helen Wilson Ruykhaver's* for lunch in her lovely new New Canaan, Conn., home. That must have been too wonderful for words. I bet plenty was said by all! In fact, I wonder if anyone heard the others for

all the chatter! Betsy has a son at Colgate who brought home 30 for supper one day after the Colgate-Princeton game. Another son is at Proctor Academy, Andover, N. H. Cheryl is 14 and there is a son, 6. Betsy is the proud possessor of a husband who has recently been made president of his company, Opinion Research Corporation, Princeton. We are proud, too, Betsy, for many reasons but mostly to learn that such research is bona fide and done by persons who are experts. The graduate work you did at Northwestern is paying dividends . . . big ones, and "little" ones, too!!

*Elizabeth Carlile Talbott*, who lives near Youngstown, Ohio, writes of her athletic son, 15, who is a good student, too, and her daughter, 11, who needs a chauffeur hourly (sounds familiar, eh, girls?). Her husband is District Industrial Engineer for Republic and she is a busy person with PTA, Garden Club, and church work.

*Agnes Jenkins Peery* writes of a coming reunion with her brother Bill when he and his family come back from Formosa. Nettie, '27, will be there on her way to the Orient. Agnes has four children, the oldest boy about to enter King College.

*Florence Cunningham Johnson* teaches in the Fairfax County School System but comes home to Front Royal, Va., on week ends to be with her husband who works for the *Warren Sentinel* there. Florence's daughter Peggy is married and has a young daughter, and her son, Bobby, works for Melpar. After leaving Mary Baldwin, Florence went to William and Mary for a year and has recently received her degree from the University of Virginia.

I'll "sign off" for this time with one personal item. My MBC daughter, Betty, was "presented" at the Chester Assembly during the holidays by a "fairy godfather." Crazy but fun!

*Lib Crawford Eagle*

### 1932-1933

#### 1933 CLASS REUNION—MAY 31

*Kathryn Miller Wood* '32 returned in February from Japan where her husband had been serving a tour of army duty, and they are living at Fort Campbell in Kentucky. *Caroline L. Rabenold*, an army nurse, has been stationed in La Rochelle, France.

*Charlotte Taylor* '33 a missionary in Brazil is vice-director of the Bible Institute of the North. She teaches and is helping to prepare Brazilian young people for fulltime Christian service. Susan Gray, daughter of *Catherine Whittel Gray*, was among the Richmond, Va., girls planning their debuts this spring. *Virginia Manson* Wood writes that her husband is in the office supply business and they have one teenage daughter.

### 1934

*Evelyn Wood* Chatham and her family moved to Greenwich, Conn., from Atlanta last June. Her husband has an office in New York. Daughter, Alice, is

a junior at Queens in Charlotte and son, Charles, is a freshman at Wake Forest. *Betty K. Harrison* Greble, in what time she has left after urging her son on to another achievement in Cub Scouts and teaching Sunday school, tries to keep up on architectural work and terms. Her husband, as Field Architect in Charge, has about completed the Old Stone House in Georgetown, Washington, D. C., and she writes that she feels as if it is a part of the family! *Margaret Schneider* Conzett has moved from Huntington Park, Calif., to Glendale.

### 1935

*Rosannah Milam Huff* and her husband, Lt. Col. Huff, have been in Tokyo but expected orders back to the States soon. After 22 years with the New York Telephone Co., *Mary Cornell Clark* writes that she is enjoying being home and retired.

Our sympathy is expressed to *Leona Bowman* Day whose husband died in October. Leona has two children, Paul Jr., 7 and Ann Bowman, 5.

### 1936

Class Secretary: *JANET DUTHIE HOFF* (Mrs. Elbridge), 265 Boston St., Guilford, Conn.

Dear Classmates,

Thanks to you who have taken time out of your busy lives to keep our mailbox filled.

Our deepest sympathy is with *Margaret Jancovius* Kien who wrote that she hesitated to send bad news, but felt that there were some old friends who would like to know. Her husband passed away on January 14, 1958, after an illness of three years. Margaret is left with their two sons, aged 6 and 8.

*Nellie Hawkins Schmidt* declares that she is presently living three lives—one as secretary of the board of the Savannah Florence Crittenton Home. She gets to play the piano at the Home occasionally and helps with the educational program. This spring she will be working with the transportation section of the Annual Tour of Homes of Savannah and surrounding country which is sponsored by Christ Church where she is a member. Then, besides keeping house, Nell teaches Freshman English three nights a week at Armstrong College. Her son and daughter who are of Scout age keep life around home lively for her.

*Jean Blackburn* Robinson has two handsome small children, a boy and a girl, who keep her busy in her home at Lookout Mountain, Tenn. *Julia Forsythe* Barr is a District Manager for Cort Cosmetics. She says her 150 girls keep her busy. Julia is still in Girl Scout work and is on the Diocesan Board for the Woman's Auxiliary of her church. *Betty Arnold* Crawford became Mrs. August K. Vilseck on November 25, 1957. She says that she much prefers married life to being a career woman. (She was a housemother at Sigma Chi fraternity at Washington & Lee for a time.) Much happiness to you in your new life, Betty. *Dorothy Warner* Smith lives in Santa

Barbara, Calif., with her husband and four sons and four daughters. Dot and her husband met *Marian Nestor* Ames, '37, and her husband when they were on a Caribbean cruise. She said their association with MBC and the friends they had in common added to their enjoyment. Dot had recently visited with *Betty Richards Remy* in Riverside, Calif. *Alice Guerrant Manly*, who has two daughters, aged 14 and 17, has just sent in an application for admission to Mary Baldwin for the older one.

*Sarah Dudley Whitmore* Ricks was visiting her father in Thomasville, N. C., when she wrote in February. Her children were enjoying their first big snow. She was planning to visit Blessing in her new house in March and leave the children with her while she and Dr. Whitmore went abroad. They were going to join her husband, George, who is on leave of absence from his church doing graduate work in Edinburgh, Scotland. They hoped, also, to see some other parts of Europe before returning home. "Dudley's" daughter, Norwood, will be in first grade next year. *Janie Stevens* Brown and her family are now living in Midland, Texas, where her husband, Evans, is minister of the First Presbyterian Church. Their eldest daughter, Mary Ellen, is a freshman at Mary Baldwin this year and loves it. She is rooming with Mary Blake Green, daughter of *Mary Blake*, Class of '35. Janie hasn't been back to visit at the College since we graduated but was hoping when she wrote in February to return to bring Mary Ellen home in June. Evans had dinner at the home of *Katherine Dyer* Dudley when he preached in Waynesboro last year. Thanks for your good letter, Janie, and for the news of *Betty Vincent McMullen*'s new baby girl, Katherine Ann, who arrived January 25, 1958. That makes three daughters for both Janie and Betty.

*Dorothy Hooge* King wrote that she attends the Richmond Chapter of the Mary Baldwin Alumnae and enjoys seeing the "girls" who were in college

1. Beth, daughter of Diane *Prettyman* DeWall, '51.
2. Kathy, daughter of Margaret *Croft* Layton, '55.
3. Ann and Robin, daughters of Ann *Hadaway Greer*, '54.
4. Janet, Kaay, Karen, and Bruce, children of *Mitzi Vick Shaw*, '51.
5. Pam, Brudge, and Wallace, children and husband of Margaret *Kyle Hopkins*, '52.
6. Albert Harwell, son of Louise *Harwell Fanjoy*, '50.
7. Chris, son of Polly *Silling* Simons, '51.
8. Tina Jean, daughter of *Billie Smith* Towlen, '52.
9. Rusty, son of *Betty Harwood* Copland, '51.
10. Linda Ball, daughter of Norma *Ball Heuer*, '54.
11. Katherine Anne, daughter of *Grace Brauer Potter*, '46.

## Alumnae Sons and Daughters



when she was. Besides being busy with two daughters, both Dot and her husband, who is Secretary of the Mutual Assurance Society of Virginia, are active in Presbyterian Church work and civic affairs. Dorothy does volunteer work at the Cerebral Palsy Center. Although she hasn't been back to MBC in years, she has seen and talked with Mrs. Grafton and keeps in touch. *Rachel Handshaw* Meeker, after a long silence, sent welcome news of their life in the beautiful rolling country of Pennsylvania. She and her husband have a son, Bob, aged nine, and four-year-old, adopted twins, Jack and Jill. Rae is president of the Spring Grove Woman's Club, a member of the Library board, Chairman of the Altar Committee in church, and a Den Mother in Cub Scouts. Her husband, Jaques, is York District Sales Manager of the Standard Register Company.

Again, thanks for your response to my cards. Don't forget the *Alumnae Fund*—no amount is too small to send. Good health and good fortune to you all.

Sincerely,  
Janet

NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Sarah Dudley Whitmore* Ricks was in Miami last fall and saw *Jane Dewey*. Dudley also reports that *Harriette Hartan Kay* is living in Baton Rouge while her husband works on his Ph.D. at L.S.U. Harryette has three children. *Harriet Jayne Smith* and her family have bought a house in Kingston, Penn., and are thoroughly enjoying more room than an apartment provided. All six of *Helen Wade Dantzer*'s family flew from Atlanta to New York in December for her parents' 50th wedding anniversary. *Emily Saunders Zimmermann*, who is living in Richmond again, writes that their daughter, June, was married last summer, and Jill, age 9, still keeps them busy.

### 1937

Class Secretary: **VIRGINIA GANTT KENDIG** (Mrs. Perry F.), 114 College Ave., Salem, Va.

It was so nice to hear from *Mellie Hussey Hickey*. Her card came too late for the fall edition but we are happy to give you Mellie's news in this edition. Mellie and her family live in Asheville, N. C., where husband, Howard, is rector of St. George's Church. They have two children—Mellie, 12 years old, and Howard, 10 years old.

*Marion Hinman Gracey* is living in Marianna, Fla., where her husband, Martin, is General Manager of Graham Air Base, a Civilian Contract School which trains Air Force pilots. They have two children—Brian, 15 years old, a junior in high school, and Ann, 13 years old, in the 8th grade.

*Katherine Major Early* wrote me that they settled in Norfolk late last fall. Her husband is Fleet Medical Officer on the Staff of Admiral Jerould Wright, Supreme Allied Commander and Commander-in-Chief, Atlantic Fleet. They find it extremely interesting meet-

ing the families from the different NATO Countries. They have twin daughters who are 14 years old. Golly, it won't be long before they will be heading for college! Katherine told me that she saw two classmates last summer—*Bonney Kirkland Burrell* and *Charlotte Brasel Bourkard*. She also said that she ran into *Frances Apple Carter* shortly after their arrival in Norfolk. Also, Katherine lives next door to a Mary Baldwin Seminary alumna, but she ran out of space on the card so I do not have her name.

*Alice Gilkeson Simpkins* is being kept busy these days by a fairly recent addition to their family—Charles Gilkeson Simpkins, their third son, born October 10, 1957. The ages of their three boys are 11 years, 7 years, and 5 months. Our heartfelt congratulations to you!

Alice also supplied us with news of other MBC girls. Alice's sister, *Anna Lawler Gilkeson Mealey*, '39, moved from Alexandria, La., to Linthicum Heights, Md., so now they see a lot of one another. Last fall, *Marguerite Latham Clemmer*, '39, came by to see them en route to a Presbyteral meeting. Marguerite has three sons, too, so they swapped "boy lore"!

As far as "yours truly" is concerned, I live pretty much the routine life of being the mother of three children and the wife of a college dean. My husband and I do plan to attend the inauguration of Dr. Spencer on April 15-16 which we look forward to. Maybe we'll see some of you there. Incidentally, while shopping one day in Miller & Rhoads in Roanoke, I ran smack into *Ann Snavely Simmons*, '39. We had lunch together and had a grand time talking over Mary Baldwin days. Of course, I see *Mary Jane Lightner Bast*, '42, quite frequently—officially and unofficially—since her husband, Homer, is Registrar of Roanoke College. Our husbands have a very close professional relationship and the four of us are all very good friends.

Please keep the news coming in to me. If you have not given me any news of yourself or someone else, please just drop me a card—even now. I can always save it for the next time. Even though you may think that what you are doing isn't very "newsy," it is news to the other girls and they are wanting to hear about YOU! So please write me any time—whether you have heard from me or not.

*Virginia Gantt Kendig*

NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Edythe Alpin Moseley* is president of the Blacksburg Council of Church Women this year. Edie hopes her seven-year-old daughter, Aleene, will be ready for Mary Baldwin about ten years from now. Son, Ruffy, is ten years old. *Janis Holley Johnston* has a son at Admiral Farragut Academy this year.

### 1938

#### CLASS REUNION—MAY 31

Our sympathy is expressed to *Herbert Ward Wyant Burke* whose father died

in February. Herbert Ward lives at 3210 Woodrow Avenue, Richmond 22, Va.

At the annual meeting of the Montgomery Presbyteral (Va.) last October, *Evelyn Thompson Alexander* was elected a District Chairman.

### 1939

Class Secretary: **ELIZABETH Gronemeyer Wise** (Mrs. Harry), 1830 Loudon Road, Charleston, W. Va.

Class news for the '39ers brings glad news and sad news. *Betty Boyd*'s father passed away the first of this year and I know all that knew Betty join me in expressing our deepest sympathy. In case any of you would like to write to her this is her address: Lt. Comm. *Betty Boyd*, Headquarters, First Naval District, 495 Summer Street, Boston, Mass.

Along with the glad news. A note from *Anita Malugani* who is planning another trip abroad June 27th. She was scheduled to fly on Pan America's first jet flight but it was cancelled. She will fly anyway, visiting friends in London, France, Italy, Switzerland, and may even hit her beloved Island of Corsica. Wish we could all be there to see that cute little redhead off. Anita has had a busy life she says, teaching French in Bogota Senior High School in Oredell, N. J. She had a wonderful visit with *Sally Cheney Walker*, '40, in Atlantic City quite by accident when they both hit that city on the same week end.

Last fall after I had sent in the class news I received a long letter from *Margaret Caldwell Herndon*. "Caldy's" husband is on the faculty of Bowman-Gray Medical School where he is chairman of the Dept. of Preventive Medicine and professor of Medical Genetics. Their daughter is 12 and Nash, Jr., is 9. She has been one of the volunteers (and a leading one I'll bet) of the Winston-Salem symphony group and she says that since they have been there they have seen the orchestra grow from amateur status to a good group with full-time conductor. We have seen the same in our town, "Caldy," and know how worth while it is. Caldy had just received a new Hammond organ from Nash and says she loses all sense of time when she sits down to play. Can we expect a concert for our next reunion? "Caldy"?

A note on *Lib Banner Hudgins*' Christmas card said that *Beverly Bivens Olive* has built a beautiful home in Mt. Airy. Had a glorious long letter from *Frances Rue Godwin* with her sunfish showing all through it. She and her husband, Fred, are celebrating their 17th anniversary and have four children, three boys and a girl, ages from 15 to 6. Her husband is in construction business building subdivision houses in the fast growing city of Phoenix, Ariz. Frances' letter just makes me drool for Arizona where the weather is mild and sunny, air crisp and dry, with heat of the desert but coolness of the mountains some 70 miles away. After this hard winter we have had here in West Virginia I'm ready and I'll wager there

are quite a few who would like to join me there. Frances says her family is about due for a trip east and hopes to make it for our next reunion.

Here's some news from *Betty Cleveland Cobb* and the girls down that way. Last fall *Shirley Black Barre* represented MBC at the inauguration ceremony of the new president of Converse College. She did a good job, 'twas said, and we know that she did. Shirley had received a letter from *Mary Kerr Brooks* and her daughter will be ready for college in one more year. Yes, and my son will too. Hard to believe but true. Shirley also saw *Liza Leman Dunson*, '42, in Greenville recently, and *Nancy Cleveland Poole*, '42, saw *Virginia Heintz Anderson*, '42, in Greenville also. Betty says that her sister Nancy's main interest these days is her newly acquired horse. She rides beautifully, as well as plays golf the same way.

*Jean Young Moore* came up for a visit with us this January, and I was able to show her all the letters I had received from the class of '39. Wish you, too, could read them for there are so many things that I don't have space to write about that I know you would love to hear. Will save them for our next reunion.

In our Charleston MBC alumnae chapter we are planning another bridge party this April and hope to be able to turn over another hundred dollars to the alumnae fund. What are you doing to help our lovely school along???

Betty Gronczevsky Wise

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Nancy Lee Owen Stuart*, *Katherine Moffett Smith*, and *Anna Lawler Gilkeson Meany* met at *Peggy Browning Busick's* home for a lovely luncheon in January. *Betty Boyd* and *Mildred Lapsley* were supposed to have been there, too, but were unable to make it. *Annie Lee Moore Walker* has three daughters, Betsy 15, Anne 12, and Sarah 4, but still finds time to take part in the P. T. A., Junior League, church and garden club. *Anna P. Caperton Everhart* has a new son, their fourth, born last October. *Kathlyn Kruse Skaggs* has two little girls ages 17 months and 3 years. Katy says she hopes to have them ready for Mary Baldwin someday.

#### 1940

Class Secretary: *EMMA Padgett FITZHUGH*, (Mrs. E. P.), 19 Shirley Road, Warwick, Va.

If you received cards from me, please answer; if you don't receive one twice a year, please let me know, for I may have an incorrect address. Someone has suggested that I send questionnaires, may have better response. I've sent six cards to some of you without one answer. But the longer you wait, the more excited I am when it finally comes.

The first reply to the post-Christmas cards was from *Frances Price Scharf* from Hyattsville, Md. . . . "my twelfth year in the Department of Commerce in Washington, D. C. I'm a computer of

Radio Facility Charts for civilian flyers, completely irrelevant to what I studied in school, but most interesting. Tommy, my husband, is manager of the Washington Maryland office of the Southern Life Insurance Company. We have a home in University Park."

*Beatrice Joe Wesley* has a new address, left New York City two years ago, now lives at Stonerest, Oxford, Conn., R. D. 2 Southbury. "Life seems to be one big rush. There's a darling little old church here and I've been quite active there, also spend endless hours gardening. During the winter months civic duties take most of my time. Last fall we went abroad, visiting England, Australia, Italy, France." Her note came to me in February, was anticipating a Caribbean and South American cruise in March. "We're looking forward to simply delectable food on The Mauretania cruise. We gained pounds on the Queen Elizabeth last fall, but it was worth it." Be Jo has a Samoyed named, "Mara." (That, by the way, is one of the most beautiful breeds of dogs in the world.)

"Squeezie" Overton Ravenel at long last writes from her country place outside Greensboro. She and Tom do lots of gardening and they raise turkeys as a hobby. Their sons are 9 and 11 (same age as our daughters, "Squeezie"). They sound happy and busy with church, school, civic and social life, football and basketball games in winter, camping trips and water skiing in summer. Says her hair is almost grey. (Can hardly wait for our next reunion and hope all of you are planning on being there.)

*Sally Chancy Walker* went with Ganah and their two older children to the Pacific Northwest, spent a night in Denver, did not see *Harry Lou Johnson Gurtler*, but had a wonderful several hours' visit over the telephone. In October, when we were in New York, *Marjorie Tobin Burke* and I couldn't get together either, but we had a delightful visit by long distance."

*Lillian Waymack Amburgey* and Bill have two daughters, Leslie, 5, and Stacy, 1½. Soon after Stacy was born, Bill had a serious heart attack, was in bed for months, but is back at work now. Lil, industrious as she is, began a new venture while he was ill. Planned and organized a mail order business of Virginia products. I'm on her mailing list and expect to be hearing from her before long.

Now to tell you about a very, very happy day. *Harriet Houston Donaldson* came by for me early one morning and we drove to Richmond to meet *Florence Jeffrey Wingo* for lunch and whomever "Flossie" could get of the MBC girls to meet us. Lil couldn't get a sitter on the short notice we gave, some of the others were busy, and we missed them, but what a glorious time we had with *Almyda Spratley Peyton* and *Mary Monroe Ainsworth Tabb*. It'd been almost eighteen years since the five of us had been together, no one had changed except everyone is better looking. There certainly were five radiant faces that

day in Miller & Rhoads Tearoom. Everyone wanted to hear about Hazzie's twin girls. Flossie told us about her wonderful Chuck, 2½, "as wild as a March hare," Sister Jane, '37, husband Ed and four children had recently visited en route back to Chicago after having driven down to Miami for a month. The Wingo household was busy then! Almyda and Flossie are active in Junor League and both families are planning to vacation at Virginia Beach this summer. They and Monroe and husbands all sat together at the Richmond Assembly not long ago. Monroe kept the spotlight for the longest with news of a very wonderful summer. Mac let her go to Britain and the Continent for a glorious trip with bachelor brother Ned, who is stationed in England. Flew Pan-American to London, met Ned, toured the Isles in his new Ford, (loved Dublin), beautiful weather on the Riviera, in Germany and France would buy groceries and eat lunch along the roadside as they drove through the country, loved Venice, enjoyed Munich, a week in the Bavarian Alps with an old friend." Twas difficult to tear ourselves away from such a stimulating conversation and the joy of being with old friends after so long a separation, but we vow to meet again this spring, perhaps in Williamsburg. If any of you ever get to Williamsburg, call us and maybe we can meet you there!

*Alice Jones* Thompson has remained in Beeville since the passing of her father. Mac and Liza are in school there, but I understand that she plans to return to Richmond, perhaps in the fall, to her own home. She was in Atlanta in February for the Presbyterian Board of Women's Work meeting. She and both children were taking piano lessons, the last I heard.

It might be fun to know that in the local Christmas Flower Show, Hazzie won first place with her arrangement in Class A, I won second.

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Bettina Hull Sparks* is still in Toronto but says another move may be coming up. About their daughters, 12 and 13, she says they "seem so much more grown up than I at that age (fortunately) and are a great pleasure."

#### 1941

Class Secretary: *ALICE Cleveland COOK*, (Mrs. Thomas L.), Route 1, Box 34, Theodore, Ala.

This time we are hearing from several girls that have been silent much too long. It is always a pleasure to receive an answer to one of my cards even if nothing outstanding or eventful has been happening to write about.

*Virginia Bucher Rupp* writes from Upper Arlington, a suburb of Columbus, Ohio, that she enjoys reading the NEWS LETTER. With three children, Dan, 13, Robin 10, and Julia 2, the entire family stays busy and happy.

*Katherine Dundup Stackhouse* writes from Goldsboro, N. C., about her family

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of four, three boys and one girl. Her husband, John, is an electrical construction contractor. They love to spend as much time as possible on their boat. Like most growing families, they are moving into a larger house. The new address is 207 W. Ash St.

From California, *Virginia Evans Crapuchettes* announces the arrival of their sixth child, Charles, born in September. The score is now three boys and three girls. The others are Elizabeth 2, Kathryn 9, Richard 11, James 11, and Margaret 15. Virginia's husband, Paul, is Director of Engineering at Litton Industries in San Carlos. Last summer the family enjoyed a new swimming pool. This summer they're planning a trip east.

I was pleased but not surprised to learn that *Lelia Dunlap* is office manager at Oscar Nibel Hosiery Corp. at Vernon, Va. You will remember that she was always blessed with brains. I would hate to try to remember how many times she helped me (and many others) with hard assignments.

*Iris Buckley* Thomson must have a new address. My card to her at 6822 Camarin St., Coral Gables, Fla., was returned. We would love to know where she is now. *Jane Simmons* Minick and her family must be out of the country as her new address is 690 1st S. C.G.

PO 872, D-19, N. Y. Several others have moved recently also. *HeLEN Correll Snipes* is now at 1233 Swainsvalley Dr., N. W., Atlanta, Ga. *Lillie Harwell Williams* and her husband, Col. Williams, are located Hqs. 3rd Inf. Div., Ft. Benning, Ga., and *Elizabeth Hill Wilkinson* is now at 609 East 54th St., Kansas City, Mo. *Mary Beth Pollock* is located at 320 Walnut, S. E., Minneapolis, Minn.

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Betty Jean Lytle* Goldston writes that they have two future Mary Baldwin girls, Connie 13 and Anne 7. All of her family plans to take a trip this summer to Hawaii, Disneyland, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. *Nadine Prudeaux Loveless* writes that she sees *Betty-Ellen Wileoz Armstrong* often. Nadine has two daughters, Linda and Carolyn. *Dorothy Stewart* Eberly, whose husband is in government work, has returned to Hawaii for another two year tour. Her address is 111 Hooker Place, Lanikai, Oahu, T. H. *Jean Larner Gray* hopes to have a closer association with Mary Baldwin in a few years since their daughter Caroline, 13, is already thinking about college. *Julia Boykin* is living at

1. Robert and Martha, children of Mary Ann Lewis Seal, '48.

2. Bob, son of Pat Hoshall Jacoway, '51.

3. Kim, Bill, and Bryan, children of Joyce Acker Ratliff, '52.

4. Bonnie and Bruce, children of Kay Poerschke Kennedy, '42.

5. Children of Peggy Pollard Rea, '46.

6. Melanie Ann, daughter of Ann Brown Peacock, '52.

Manila in the Philippines. Her address is 2031 M. H. del Pilar Street. *Borris Wilters* McNeal and her family are living at Virginia Beach and she says they are thrilled to have "home port duty." They have recently added a fourth boy to the three they already had. From *Virginia Milburn*, '42, we learned that *Grace Jones* Eubank is working on her Ph.D. in Education. *Betty Jane Rodrick Manning* and *Betty Lew Dingley* Walker had luncheon together last fall when Betty Lew and her father were in Albany on business.

#### 1942

Class Secretary: MARION ELDON RYDER, (Mrs. James P.), Box 993, Idaho Springs, Colo.

How many of you are aware that the Welcome Wagon's emblem truly has its roots in our pioneer history? *Mary Lou Gordon* McKay sent an editorial from the New York Times which pays tribute to national hostesses and informs the public that the Conestoga symbol designates an original California wagon stocked with supplies to aid settlers. Even today Welcome Wagon is not solely a commercial enterprise. Its workers help newcomers in many personal ways. *Mary Lou* is now an enthusiastic assistant in this service at Battle Creek, Michigan.

Virginia alumnae will want to twirl radio dials to the Charlottesville station. There *Nancy Hughes* Manson is happily involved with a program for children. The Mansons have bought an old house to renovate. Their fourth son was born last June. *Cay Cumming* Ade, '42, of Golden Gate territory recently spent a month's vacation around Philadelphia and Richmond. *Virginia Heindish* Anderson has built a divine new house at Greenville, S. C. A note from *Katie Early Holden* says that the family four-

some is living in Yankee land! Katie thought that there wasn't a soul left at New Jersey whom she'd known. This has an O. Henry twist: After purchasing a dwelling at Middletown, who should be a mere 500 yards away but *Mary Thompson* Wightman, '45.

Tracing *Regina Munson* Henderson ("suntanned"); but *Bette Wotring* Harrison is still a New Jersey resident, having moved from Cranford to Murray Hill. The record has it that *Pearl Epling* Forsey was the last person to talk with *Regina*. The latter's address is still unknown in the file. We continue to wonder what has become of *Fanta Chambers* Russell and *Nancy Price* McCrackin. The person who might know would be *Joy Gilland* Price. Please mail a postal, if either one or both attended your tea of the alumnae at your home, *Joy*. They must be missing a lot of copies of the bulletin.

Treat yourselves to some book fun, even though you might have to desert the P. T. A. or bridge party to do it. Try *Pearl Buck's My Several Worlds* or visit the library to browse among publications such as *Frank Lloyd Wright's A Testament*.

Now that the March tax business is over, some may want to mail a fund donation to Staunton. We can keep our sense by investing in such an alma mater, even though others may be court ing additional trouble by ignoring the lessons taught by history and by going haywire with atoms. Nearly all of us enjoyed college; so no prodding, coaxing, or begging should be necessary. Have you mailed that white envelope that requires no stamp?

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Ramona Compton* Ward's husband is supervising a new T. V. cartoon series



Polly Murphy Keller, '42, her husband, Chris, and their six children.

in Hollywood. *Betty Bailey* Hall attended the alumnae coffee in Houston last fall when President Spencer was there. From the November, '57, issue of the Roanoke College bulletin we learned that Homer Bast, husband of *Mary Jane Lightner* Bast, was honored by cross country runners and trackmen of the past 19 seasons. Homer was stepping down as the Maroons' coach, and at a surprise presentation during the convocation exercises, tribute was paid to him for his outstanding coaching record in the nation. *Mary Lou Gordon* McKay's oldest boy is in high school, second one is in junior high, and her daughter is in the 4th grade. *Pat Lifsey* Daniel expects to return to the States in July after a wonderful assignment in Turkey. *Lou Farmer* Bledsoe and her doctor husband have a little girl, Lib, born last May. *Pearl Epling* Forsey hopes to visit *Milicent French* Bennett on a furniture market trip to Los Angeles in January. *Polly Murphy* Keller and Chris have their sixth child, born last August and named Elisabeth.

### 1943

Class Secretary: *JULIA Monroe McCABE*, (Mrs. John W., Jr.), Old Landing Rd., Yorktown, Va.

I know you will be sorry to hear that our most faithful secretary has felt it necessary to resign. You must all appreciate the way she has looked after us in the bulletin through these many years. I felt that such a class as ours should not be left without representation, especially when reminiscing about many wonderful times we all had together—so I shall attempt to carry on in my own small way for awhile anyway. I have forwarded recently some one-fourth of our class letters requesting information they could pass on for all to enjoy. At the time of this writing, I have only received 1 per cent. Believe me, it could easily be closer to 100 per cent if you would just take two minutes to remember all of your old friends from MBC and three minutes to tell them how you are doing—then total cost, a two-cent post card.

*Shirley Andrew* Allard writes: "Arthur and I have been shipped hither and yon during an extensive training program for the position he now holds. One year we lived in three different cities. At the moment, we're living in Manchester, twenty miles from St. Louis, Mo. We love country living and we have it—we're right on a little lake where the children are ice skating as I write this. We have three children, David 11, Laurie 10, and Becky 7. I keep more than busy with church work and educational activities."

From Shelbyville, Tenn., *Mary Bagley Higgins* writes: "Not much news here; our life is full of church, scouts, P. T. A., and golf activities. My husband, Gene, is in the First National Bank. We have just a happy average life with our three children—Walter 12, Mary Battle 10, and Bob 7."

*Hollis Painter* Baylor, who still resides in Staunton, sends word. "I guess as it is with all mothers, my news centers around my children. Am now the possessor of four wonderful children. Patricia Elaine is 15. Imagine! She's a senior in high school. Lynn Tribbett is 10, and a fourth grader. Our only boy George Frank, III, is now 6 and I must add 'all boy'; but I wouldn't have him any other way. Now comes the latest addition for future MBC enrollment—Nancy Hollis, sixteen months old."

From Pensacola, Fla., *Mimi Proffitt Batson*, writes. "We're busy with children, church, P. T. A., Medical Aux., dancing, scouts, etc. We have a beach house about fifteen miles out of town and we move out there the day school is out and back in on Labor Day. Wonderful for water skiing which all of us except Ann (she'll be 5 next month) do fairly well. We returned last week from ten days in New York—saw six plays and loved every one of them. We are working on house plans—have a real pretty waterfront lot in town. Gayle and I were up in Oxford, Miss., to a football game in December, '56, and saw *Mary Rose Mitchener* Wilds. Murphy is pastor of the Presbyterian Church there. Her mother and father were there so we had a nice visit with all of them."

An air mail letter arrived just in time for the bulletin from *Maxine King French*. "As for us—my husband is Chief of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery at Letterman Army Hospital in San Francisco. Our elder daughter, Helen 12½, is president of her seventh grade, takes ballet; next in line is Sanford IV, he has just turned 11, is in the fifth grade and helps on a paper route, is a little leaguer in the summer. Elizabeth is 9½—a Brownie, a great animal and flower lover. Jim is 3½, need I say more. As for me, I'm just plain busy but always seem to be on some project. My latest activities are 'great finds' at auctions and re-upholstering our furniture. Heaven only knows what it will be next year!"

As for the McCabes—we're still living outside of Yorktown and loving it. Our family now consists of Barbara age 5, Lady, our six-month-old pup, and Jazzy the cat who has outlived eighteen ducks, two rabbits, one turtle and four other cats not to mention several dogs. Being on the water makes it possible to enjoy all the water sports, and those of you who remember Jack know he's in heaven as long as he's around boats. If any of you take in the Jamestown, Williamsburg and Yorktown areas on your vacations, by all means let us know you are here. Would love to see you!"

NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Dorothy Hundley* Neale has her third child, Sarah Lucile, born last November. *Ann Page Francis* Hickman is living in Charleston, W. Va., and writes that they have bought a lovely colonial home and have been busy decorating it. Their

daughter, Nancy Carlisle, is 11. To her activities which include girl scout and church work, Page has added alumnae club work and is serving as chairman for a bridge party this spring. *Margaret Mayer* reports a grand tour which included 17 days in Russia. She left Moscow 3 days before Sputnik I. *Jackie Balhatchet* Weir is living in Shaker Heights, Ohio. Daughter Ellen is 8 and in the 3rd grade. *Gladys Adams* Link writes that C. C., now 4, is in nursery school and Charlie 2, is a real world-beater! *Olivia Lee Glover* Harless has a third daughter, Olivia Walker, who will be a year old in June. Olivia's husband serves in Fain Memorial Presbyterian Church in Wichita Falls, Tex., as an elder and also as Sunday School superintendent. *Anne Garrett* received her master's degree in Industrial Psychology from N. C. State last June. She now has a personnel position with the County Trust Bank in White Plains, N. Y.

### 1944

*Laura Virginia McManaway* Andrews and her family are living in Seattle, Wash., where her husband, Bill, is minister of Highline Methodist Church. Their children are Billy almost 6, David 4, and Elizabeth Maxwell who was a year old in April. *Virginia Davis* Hall writes that she has one child in high school, one in junior high, and two in elementary school—and still has time for golf about once a week! We've learned a little late of an honor given to *Frances Suter*. Frances is academic dean at Pease College in Raleigh, N. C., and last spring the college annual, "The Lotus," was dedicated to her with this beautiful citation: "In her quiet way she is a vital part of our college life at Pease. As the advisor to the Student Council, she has shown her interest in the growth of the individual girl. Her own actions are exemplary of the high principles which she has expected us to follow. Miss Suter's office and heart are opened to any girl who seeks her help. Because of her sincerity, intelligence, charm, and humor, we are proud to dedicate this annual to our Academic Dean—Miss Suter. 'Manner, not gold, is woman's best adornment.' Menander."

*Margie Harwood* Kreisle has a new daughter, Jo Rochelle, which makes five children for her. *Bettie Sue Trimble* Mabray has evened her family with two boys and two girls. The youngest is John Trimble who was a year old in April. *Mildred Roycroft* Teer and Dillard have five children to keep them busy. In addition, Mildred is president of the Junior League and Dillard is president of the YMCA.

The Class of '44 will be saddened to know of the death of three of their classmates, *Missie Alexander* Frakes, *Mary McDavid* Sader and *Jean Emery* Locke. Missie died October 29th at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., of a heart ailment. She, her husband, Col. James Fisher (Tut) Frakes, and their two children, Ann LaRue and Stephen Alexander,

had only recently moved to Alexandria, Va. Only in late December did we learn of the death of *Mary McDavid* Sadler. About 8 years ago Mary had had a very serious operation at Duke. In the winter of '56-'57 she had a return of the illness and underwent several more operations in Columbia. Her death occurred that spring. About *Jean Emery* Locke we have only the post office notification of her death, and this was received in December.

## 1945

Class Secretary: *Louise Playe Nelson*, (Mrs. John E.), Skyline Drive, Glen Mills, Pa.

*Anne Warren Churchman* Brown and family were in California in November while husband, David took a two months Flying Safety course at the University of California. They planned to spend Christmas with David's brother and family in San Francisco and hoped to visit *Carmen Hayes* Anderson in Marion, Ark., on their way home. Anne's children are—"Kirk" 4, Carrington 3, and "Jim" 1 year.

*Mary Grim* Waddingham wrote that she and the family left England in February, '56, and moved to Seattle, Wash. They were there only three months when John resigned from the Navy to accept a position with an Electronics Manufacturer. In May, '57, the Waddinghams bought a house in Garden City, Long Island, after four moves in eighteen months. So nice hearing from you again, Mary.

*Betty Jo Gardner* Dudley writes from Richmond that Frank graduates from Medical School this June. Their girls are now 7 and 8. *Louise McLean* Lightner and family have moved from Tampa, Fla., to New Orleans, La. Louise thought Dick might be transferred again! *Carol Saubusse* Moore and family moved to Denver, Colo., in January. Please let us hear from you, Carol.

*Joan Bennett* Leskawa and I had a long chat on the phone. She and Dick had just returned from skiing in Canada. Skiing is a new sport for Joan and she is very enthused over it. *Nancy Roane* Lathrop and husband, Pat are living outside Staunton, Va. Nancy has two boys, Moore will be 5 in August and Mitchell was 2 last Christmas Eve. Besides two children to keep Nancy busy, she is active in bridge club, church circle, and the hospital auxiliary.

*Barbara Conner* Bates and her husband, Jack, were to go to South America on a business trip in February, and then when their children got their spring vacations, the whole family were looking forward to a couple of weeks' relaxation in Florida. Their children are Belinda 12, Melanie 10, and John III, 7. Last November, *Nancy Nettleton* Rood and her husband adopted a little 19 month old girl, whom they call Judy Emma, and Nancy wrote that Thanksgiving had been really a wonderful and significant time for them.

*Eleanor Reid* Forrow, who lives in

Paris but will be returning to the States soon, writes that they have a new daughter, Catherine Frances, who is about 9 months old. Their other children are Lisa, almost 5, and Lachlan 2. Too late for the last bulletin we heard of *Mary Burr*'s trip to Norway and Denmark. She visited a Dutch friend in Bussum, Holland, for a month; then drove through Belgium, Luxembourg, and Germany. *Celia Lacy* Whalen and her family have moved to Norfolk permanently (insurance, not Navy), and her children and *Sabine Goodman* Andrews, '46, attend the same school.

*Mary Burr*, *Dot Van Winkle* Tremaine, *Helen (Pee Wee) Kinser* Monroe, '48 and *Myrna Williams* Vest '47 were all at our Fashion Show Card Party in Wilmington on April 19. We had over 150 and it was such a success! Our next project is a *Mary Baldwin* Cookbook. I'd be delighted to put your recipes in if you'll send them along—please limit them to one or two recipes per person. We have some wonderful recipes and you'll probably be anxious to have the cookbook when it is printed. More on that later.

*Malcolm Buchanan* Neilon was born on Feb. 16. The children are so delighted with the "new baby," Linda, 5½ is really outgrown with 4 brothers, but like most females she holds her own.

Please write—it doesn't have to be big news. Have a happy summer!

## 1946

Class Secretary: *MARGARET WILSON*, 1609 Quarrier St., Charleston, W. Va.

We literally have news from coast to coast. After much too long a time, I've heard from *Adele Chambers* Marshall, '45, my roommate in McChung our freshman year! Adele graduated from the University of Texas in 1946 and before her marriage in 1950 to Wesley Marshall worked as a chemist. Since March, 1951, Adele and Wes and their son, Osa Wesley Marshall, III, 6, have been living in Malibu, Calif., while Wes, an engineer for Tempco Aircraft, has been doing work for his company at the U. S. Naval Air Missile Test Center at Point Mugu. Adele reminded me of our bridge games at the Club—and of the time I had an aee with the wrong suit and, upon discovering it, got so excited I put my cigarette in my lap! I still get confused, but haven't yet burned another skirt! At present, Adele and Wes expect to be back HOME in Dallas sometime in April.

*Grace Braver* Potter and Ned are still living in Annapolis and sent a picture of their adorable Katherine, 2½, which I hope you'll find elsewhere in the NEWS LETTER. Grace and *Betsy Mueller* Parker, '45, chatted on the phone recently but, as in most of these parts, they've had to wait for the snow to subside before getting together for a visit. *Rachel Berry* Mohler and her husband, who is vice-president of the local Ruritan Club, had a wonderful trip to New Orleans in February for the Ruritan National Convention, with visits along



*Cecile Cage* Wavell, '45, her husband, Kenneth, and their five children.

the way. Rachel and John, with their sons Jack 10, and Jim 7, live in Mt. Solon, Va., and with both of the boys in school now, Rachel has been doing some substitute teaching at North River High School—and thinking maybe she prefers housekeeping!

Good news from *Jane Frierson Snipes* is announcement of the birth of a son, David Ramsay, on January 10. Jane and Arthur and their other son, Lukie, are all having fun spoiling the new baby. Lukie is eight years old now, a third grader, and in addition to his school work is taking art lessons, ice skating and, Jane reports, is a dedicated Cub Scout.

Another pleasure was hearing from *Peggy Hull* Caldwell. Peggy says they are all happy, healthy, and enjoying the life they lead—but her letter was just like a visit and I hope I can make it seem something like that to you! Since their marriage in 1946, Peggy and Frank have lived in 22 different places—running the gamut from a cold-water flat in Brooklyn to their present "mansion" and including an old house in Chapel Hill which they remodeled themselves, inside and out! Frank, who was a captain in the Marine Corps when he and Peggy were married, is now a Lieutenant Colonel and for the past three years has been stationed at West Point. Theirs is the only Marine family at the Point and their "mansion" is a 17-room home right in the middle of the post, overlooking the Hudson. Peggy and Frank have two daughters and a son: Elliott 10, young Frank 3, and Lueinda (Cindy) who was one year old in February, and they have all loved being at West Point. Since college and marriage, Peggy says she has dabbled

in a few things here and there—to give you an idea, she taught nursery school one year in Quonset, Va., did graduate work at the University of North Carolina, has appeared with Little Theatre groups when she could manage and "they would have me," and done some modeling, dancing, narrating and speaking—in her words, "the things I used to love most have taken only a tiny segment of my life and interest, with marriage, motherhood, and the fascinating life being foremost." The Caldwells will be leaving West Point this summer and they have learned that their new post will be Hawaii, which has dispersed their gloom over leaving! Don't you think the people of Hawaii are lucky?

News from the local newspaper is announcement of the marriage of *Mary Archer Hannah* Waterman to Bryan Edward Hooker in Miami Beach, Fla., where Mary Archer has been living for several years. The Hookers will make their home in Coconut Grove, Fla.

Something which I think we all should know and of which we should be proud is that two of "our" husbands were at Davidson with Dr. Spence—Bill Faison, husband of *Nat Harrison Faison*, and Frank Caldwell, husband of *Peggy Hull Caldwell*. Both Bill and Frank were pleased and enthusiastic about Dr. Spence's coming to Mary Baldwin and know we're most fortunate.

Still sweet and modest, *Sabine Goodman* Andrews has written from Norfolk, Va., where she lives with her husband and children—"just nice children, husband, house, town and activities, but nothing earth shaking." I'm sure that speaks for many of us, but I still like to hear it!

Even though you may not think your news "earth shaking," I'm overjoyed to hear from you. Most any day, you're apt to see me scanning Quarrier Street, looking for the postman and, if I'm lucky, poring over your letters. So take the hint, won't you? Write to me!

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Mary Sue Feldman* Marquette, who is living on Key Biscayne in Florida, writes that Dan is in the 6th grade and Julie in kindergarten. Husband Joe works for Inland Container Corporation. *Connie Small Cann* was tapped recently to become a provisional member of the Junior League in Richmond. *Harryette Harlan Kaye* is living in Baton Rouge while her husband works on his Ph.D. at L.S.U. *Betty Timberlake Trippett* lives in Tallahassee, Fla., where her husband is a political reporter for the *St. Petersburg Times*. *Celia Lacy Whalen* has moved to Norfolk, insurance, not the Navy, and hopes to be there permanently. *Gladys McManaway* Poindexter lives in Winston-Salem, N.C., and has three sons. *Marilyn West Price* and her family were planning to make their big move from Army to civilian life in April and hoped to settle in Southern California. *Mary Ann Lewis* Bowman had a marvelous trip to Europe last September and October. *Lois McIntyre* Hebard has been kept busy serving

as president of the Garden Club and vice-president of the P.T.A., not to mention writing a weekly column for the local newspaper in Chamblee, Ga. Her daughters are Nancy 10, and Diane 4. *Nan Howe* Guild's daughter, Susan Wing, will be a year old in September. Living in Canada, *Peggy Nairn Dworschak* writes that her girls, Meg who is in the first grade and Betsy in nursery school, have adapted well—they are figure skating, as all Canadian children do from the time they can walk.

#### 1947

Class Secretary: **BETTY Lane SHADEK**, (Mrs. John K.), 2970 East Derbyshire Rd., Cleveland Hts., Ohio.

*Jayne Houseal Heenan*'s most exciting news is the arrival of Tracy Palmer Heenan, Jr., on December 5th. Jayne was busy as a newspaper-woman prior to the appearance of her son, and her husband is an attorney. The Heenan's address is 526 Neff Lane, Grosse Pointe, Mich. Another Michigan resident, *Lec Edwards Watkins*, lives at 14895 Westwood in Detroit. *Mary Mot Higgins Buford*'s two daughters, Kathy, 2½, and Betsy, 5½, have a new brother, Kevin Andrew, born last summer. Older brother Bobby who is 7 is a busy first grader. Chet has a most fascinating job with Chrysler's Missile Operations and Mary Mot is in the process of helping establish a church library and learning the Dewey System. She writes she has made a lovely new friend in *Martha Spruce Stoops*, '43, who also attends the Royal Oak First Presbyterian Church. Mary Mot lives at 820 E. Roberts Ave., Hazel Park, Mich. By the time the next bulletin goes to press, I expect to hear that Jane, Lee, and Mary Mot have had their own private class reunion! *Flo Harris Hinson* writes that *B. J. Hamilton* Kay gave a lovely bridge party for her in January

and that *Gloria Duke Trigg*, *Pat Eubank* Sledge and *Betty Hammond* Cunningham were there. Our sincerest sympathy goes to Flo and her husband on the death of their ten-day old son last June.

I had such an interesting and newsy letter from *Ann Martin*'s mother, Ann is in Europe for the third time! Her first trip, a Brownell Tour, came when she graduated from the University of Alabama. Then about five years ago, after living in California two years, she spent eight months in Europe traveling everywhere. Last July Ann acted as an excellent guide for her mother, her aunt, and a school friend on a tour of England, Scotland, Holland, Germany, Italy, and France. Ann remained in Paris and is now in Florence, Italy.

*Harry Lee Thompson* Billington writes that the remodeling of an old home they had just purchased prevented her being with us at the reunion. In addition to Anne Cecil 6, who is in school, William 5, who is in kindergarten, and Mary Ward 2½, who is "into everything," Harry Lee keeps busy with her church, garden club, and P.T.A. work. Her husband is a field representative in the Farm Mortgage Division of Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. *Mary Ellen Mathews* Bryan is superintendent of the kindergarten in her church and is active in the Junior League in Montgomery, Ala. Her two sons are Joe 6, and Judi 2. The Bryans built a new home two and a half years ago. *Mary Ellen* visited *Julia Bush Jordan* in Tampa last summer and met Julia's darling daughter, Amy. *Betsy John Forrest* Dunwoody says she hated to miss our reunion—she'll be there next time. Her three boys are 6, 4, and 10 months and they keep her pretty busy.

Two sons, James Douglas 4, and Gary Wilson 1, the golf course, and hand painting blouses and men's big novelty



Marjorie Moore Council, '46, and Jack with their children, Nancy, Margo, John, Harriet, and Susan.

aprons for a shop in Vermont keep *Dee Sweet Cox* busy. She saw *Lib Bivens* Singleton, her husband, and three children at Myrtle Beach last summer and they had quite a gale test. After returning from Hawaii in August, 1956, *Virginia Gathrie Linsecott* taught first grade in Seattle until March of last year. And on May 15, 1957, the Linsecott's first baby, *Wendy Sue*, was born. Virginia's husband is working on his Ph.D. in English at the University of Washington. Virginia and *Carla Harris Robinson* live fairly close to each other and see each other frequently. Carla's fourth child and third daughter, *Carla Rose*, arrived in May 1957, and her husband receives his M.S. in Engineering from the University of Washington in June. The Robinsons will remain in Seattle where Wayne will work for Boeing.

*Bebe Anderson Baker* and *Jimmy* bought a new house in November and are busy furnishing it. Their growing boys are Duncan 6, Andy 4, and Robert 2. Bebe is delighted that her new home is so wonderfully located right next door to her parents' home in Jacksonville. William 3½, and Blake, almost 2, are the sons of *Nancy McFarland Bonner*. Nancy's address is 1618 Milford, Houston, Tex. *Jo Farris Huff* has quite a houseful! First of all there are the children—Bo, who is in the second grade, Tommy, who is in kindergarten, and Anne, now 3½. Next come Mickey, the Chihuahua, and two adorable Heinz variety puppies, and last but not least, Tambo, the pony Jo's father sent the children from Kentucky. Rouse is a very busy country doctor, and it sounds as though the Huffs are leading a most satisfying life. Jo saw *Alice Summers Hale's* children, Chip and Ann, last summer and is looking forward to seeing Tip's latest addition, Tom. The Hales were in Florida for a month.

Thanks so much to all of you who returned news of yourselves on the cards I sent out, and to those of you who didn't get your cards returned in time for this bulletin, please try to return them in time for the fall issue.

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Martha McMurry Ellis* writes that their little adopted boy was two in February and keeps them busy. He is Roger B., Jr., and called Beck. *Mary Ann Thadskton Anderson* and Johnny have a new daughter, *Frances Juanita*, born in January. *Winifred Gochenour Wampler*'s husband was designated "Young Man of the Year" by the Junior Chamber of Commerce in Martinsville, Va., in recognition of his church and community service. *Mary Elizabeth Reed Smith*'s adopted son, *Gordon Reed*, was a year old last October. *Miriam Buckles Helmens*'s twin daughters, *Mary Elizabeth* and *Melinda Louise*, were a year old in April.

#### 1948

##### CLASS REUNION — MAY 31

Class Secretary: *PEGGY HARRIS MILLIGAN*, (Mrs. Frederick M.), Lula Lake Road, Lookout Mountain, Tenn.

There certainly is little news this time. A few Christmas cards, most enthusiastically received of course, comprised the total correspondence. Guess by the time you read this, however, our reunion will be over, and those attending will have passed on all there is to know.

A very sweet Christmas card from *Helen Atkinson Phillips* contained a note saying that her husband had been transferred back to New England and that they have bought a house near Boston.

A most happy surprise was the card from *Helen Cortez Harrison* with a picture of her two beautiful children, Nat 4, and Nina 1½. Helen and Randy still are in Norfolk where Randy is minister of Calvin Presbyterian Church. Helen says, "It is a new church (2½ years old), but fast-growing and very enthusiastic. We love it." The Harrisons visited MB in August and were planning a return trip for the reunion.

*Mary Sue Gross* Clarke is one of the busiest members of our class, I'm sure. After looking after her three children all day she and *Betsy Berry Williamson* have been attending night school to renew their teaching certificates. Also the Clarkes have moved to a new address 6610 Park Ave., Richmond.

*Liz Blanchard Wilgus* and Jim have a new home which they are enjoying. They were planning to attend the reunion.

*Betty Roberts Bertelson*, Peter, and Julie have moved again, but I've lost the address. So send it again, please, Bet.

*Sue Persinger Nowlin* and John have a son, *Joseph Persinger*, born last October 25th.

We were terribly sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Allen Eskridge, father of *Ellen Eskridge Groseclose*.

Happy reunion, everyone!

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Elaine Hart Gesell* has four children, 3 boys and a girl, ranging from a year to 9 years old. Her husband is a Lutheran minister and they live at Muscatine, Iowa. *Mary Coffin* Thomas's husband, Davis, is a Presbyterian minister at Tallahassee, Fla. *Leila Jo Hook* was married November 30th to Dr. David G. Mehrtens. He is a research chemist with du Pont at Waynesboro, Va. *Harriet Sipple Smith* and Roger make their home in Dexter, Michigan.

Sympathy is expressed to *Fran Hurley Johnson* whose mother died suddenly last September.

*Nancy Kirchner Eliason*, '50, sent news of two '48 alumnae. *Fee Wall Dunlevie* has a new baby boy named Bruce. *Heidi Lane Glessner*'s husband, Jack, is with Solar in San Diego. They live on Point Loma, and their house is perched on a cliff overlooking San Diego Bay and the mountains; house is glass with stained windows, three fireplaces, and a Japanese garden; exterior is Japanese cedar and interior is mahogany. Before settling in San Diego, Dusty and Jack spent last summer in Europe, toured in a little English car.

#### 1949

Class Secretary: *BARBARA MARY BARNES*, (Mrs. James), Natural Bridge, Va.

Hello to all from Natural Bridge, Va. We moved here last summer when Jim was assigned to the ROTC Detachment at the Virginia Military Institute in Lexington. We hope to move to Lexington this spring provided we can find suitable housing, but for the present, we are comfortably situated and are enjoying our stay in the "country." We're delighted to be back in Virginia in the surroundings we both know and love.

Well, in the words of a more famous personality: "This is the (Class) news."

*Jean Whipple Dutton* is now living in Roanoke. She and Ben have just bought a small house and are busy selecting paint colors and drapery patterns. As you know, they have two lovely daughters. Whip is looking forward to seeing "Cle" *Deacon Andrews* (Class '47), *Ellen Andrews Hunter* and me more often. Incidentally, we have quite a few MBC girls in this vicinity.

*Margaret Hooks Wilson* wrote me from her new home in Memphis (4205 Long Leaf Drive). She is definitely coming to the 1959 reunion of our class and will be staying with me. By the way, I want all of you that can to come by Natural Bridge (or Lexington) and visit me during the reunion. Margaret and Rollin have quite a large house now—four baths, I believe. They feel that since they will be staying in Memphis, a lot of space will be more useful to them while the children are young. Sounds ideal, Mag! Just before Margaret moved, I enjoyed a brief (an hour or so) telephone conversation with her. I happened to be passing through Memphis with Mama and Daddy, and I welcomed the opportunity to get in touch.

From Clarksdale, Mississippi, comes word that *Er Lacy Nance* is hard at work keeping two little girls' wardrobes in shape for school. Not that little Bob (2 yrs.) isn't doing his part to round out Ev's day. Busy as she is, Ev is sticking by her vow to attend the '59 reunion even if she has to "beg, borrow and steal" to make the trip. And please, Ev, forget the hair dye and face lifting; we'll recognize you I'm sure.

*Margaret Ann Newman Avent* lives in Alexandria, Va., now. Larry is serving as associate pastor to the Old Presbyterian Meeting House. Margaret Ann says that *Winks Schrell* Leachman, whom she talks with occasionally, has a lovely home in Washington, and two cute little boys.

*Mike Heydenreich* Rush reports that her children's blood must certainly be a blend of achromycin, sulphur and penicillin. She is beginning to wonder if there is anything they have missed! Daughter Connie's favorite remark is, "I'm six but I'm small for my age." According to Mike, Connie is a pea on a

hot griddle, while Bobby is like 'ole Step and Fetch It.

Last August, *Cynthia Betts Johnson* had a pleasant surprise. *Margaret Hooks Wilson* called from the airport in Chicago. Margaret and Rollin had flown into town in Rollin's new Cessna. To make a long story short, Cynthia met Margaret at Marshall Field's and they just "talked and talked."

To solve "a lack of playmates situation," *Margaret Lawson Craighill* and Lloyd are buying a new home. The house is near a recreation center with a swimming pool and lots of little playmates. We envy you, Hootie.

Sorry this is all the news I have but I do need H-E-L-P from each of you. Remember that the deadline for the next report is October 1st so send me as much news of our class as you possibly can. Love to each and every one of you, Bobbie

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Jean Quarles* Mary has three children, Jimmie 7, Marsha 6, and Molly 3. *Annette Peter Neel* and *Rosa Hutson Blankin* also have three children each. Annette's are Ash 6, Robin 5, and Nancy, less than a year, and Rosa's are Toni 8, John 2½, and Leslie almost a year. *Chili Minus* Rogers has a hobby that pays—she is teaching teenagers in and around Summerville and Charleston, S. C., to do watercolor and oil painting. *Helen Houghton Peters* and her husband, Don, teach in Arlington, Va. Both are ski and sports enthusiasts. *Joan Keeley* Lam is kept busy with Thomas Stuart 3½, and Joan Elizabeth, called Beth, who is six months. This spring she has added some alumnae club work to her schedule and is helping with the fashion show-bridge benefit being sponsored by the Philadelphia Club at Strawbridge and Clothiers in Wilmington, Del.

Our sympathy to *Jan Dickey Kyle* whose husband died in February, 1957, and father in September. Jan and her son Gary are with her mother now but she hopes to move back to her own home soon.

*Elsie Martin* Walton and Dick have two sons, Bob 5 and Bill 1. Dick is an architect. *Miriam Buckles Helmen*, '47, her husband and their twin daughters visited *Cynthia Betts Johnson* last fall. *Mary Allen Phillips* Indence had a new son, Jimmy, last October which brought them to a total of three. The other two are Patti 5 and Jeff 3. *Julia Johnston Belton* is teaching a class of three year olds in the Episcopal Church week-day kindergarten and nursery school in Beckley, W. Va. Julia's children are Toni 7, in the second grade, and Dick 4½ in kindergarten.

*Dixie Seagler* Hoaglin and her husband adopted a baby girl last August. She is named Barbara Lee. *Betty Fugate Moore*'s six-year-old daughter Nancy underwent heart surgery at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore last spring and

has made a remarkable recovery. Betty has two boys, 4 and 2.

#### 1950

Class Secretary: *KATE Scott JACOB*, (Mrs. Nathaniel W.) Onanoeck, Va.

"If winter comes, can spring be far behind?" I love that quotation because it symbolizes how eagerly I await the daffodils, roses, children outside, and especially letters from old friends of Mary Baldwin days that spring so graciously brings.

*Betsy White* Richards and family are living in Boones Mill, Va., with her mother since her father died in November, 1955. Steve is in his fifth year of coaching at Franklin County High School. Betsy has two active boys: Stephen 5½, and Larry 4. She writes that she visited her aunt in Staunton for several days in January. The bad weather prevented a visit to the College, but she saw *Virginia Marsh Taylor*, '51, at her home on a farm about 7 miles from Staunton one day and was nearly snowed in. Betsy saw *Marie McClure* one day and she still enjoys her work at Western State. We, too, are looking forward to our reunion in 1960, Betsy.

*Mary Emma Carpenter* Graham and family bought a house in Kutztown, Pa., a year ago. She has two boys: Carl 4½, and David 2. The Grahams are active in the church and play a lot of bridge, plus Mary Emma's activities in the Woman's Club. *Kaye Else Johnson*, '47, and husband, Bob, stayed overnight with the Grahams on their way to Kay's reunion last year.

A note from *Helen Meredith Sheffield* says that they have moved back to East Tennessee where Pete is mining Barite and she is glad to be home, but misses Auburn. Sandra is 2 now. *Margaret Wilson* Wood is recovering from an operation on her back, necessary because she had a ruptured disc. She is getting out a bit now and soon will be as good as new. Her mother has been with her since Christmas. We all wish you a speedy recovery, Margaret. *Rose Caccia paglia* Peduto says "My husband was transferred to the Buffalo Office of Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. last June as a senior engineer. After selling our home in Cincinnati, we moved here to the City of Tonawanda in August. It's only 15 miles from Niagara Falls and we've enjoyed seeing them as well as a little of Canada. My oldest boy 6, started kindergarten this fall. The other two boys, 4 and 2, love the snow here."

*Hannah Todd* who is at Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester, New York; says, "I am still in Medical School heading for pediatrics. Just am enjoying the work and the people so much. We're enjoying our cold weather, snow and skiing here." Good luck, Hannah! A note from *Joan Bagby* Lane came too late for the last column. She says: "We are in Houston, Texas, where George is practicing as an orthopedic surgeon. We have two sons, George, III 4, and Ross 1½.

A wonderful letter from *Louise Har-*



Ellen, daughter of Daphne Brown Robertson, '54. James Henry, son of Patsy Rutherford Miller, '55. Nina and Nat, children of Helene Cortez Harrison, '48.

well Fanjoy at Christmas. I quote, "Drexel Furniture transferred Jack here to Denver to do sales promotion throughout the whole West so he travels an awful lot. Two weeks after we had moved here in February my father died suddenly of a heart attack. I stayed home with mother for two months afterwards. In August we drove to Tennessee for my brother's wedding. This western living is just wonderful. There is just a different feeling in the air. My neighbors are from all over the West and it is so interesting to know them all. The view from my kitchen window of the snowcapped Rocky Mountains is out of a book! I had to learn how to cook again for the altitude is almost 6,000 feet. It takes 5 to 6 minutes to cook a 3-minute egg. The air is so dry that it takes 6 months for your hair and complexion to acclimate. Al is getting so big—he'll be six in March. He goes to public kindergarten in the afternoon. These schools are marvelous. I finally found *Wheat* in Atlanta. Bub is almost a doctor. Nancy Finch has settled in Durham."

A note from *Jane Reynolds* Wilson says they (D. S. and 3 boys) are settled at Ft. Bliss for 3 more years and enjoying it. D. S. likes his work with mis-siles. Their baby is 5 months old.

The following news was gleaned from Christmas cards. *Harriet Freeland Reynolds* and family are fine. Hollie is 26 months old and Leslie 14 months old. *Catic Matthews* Park stays busy with two children. The baby is Bobby, 11 months old. *Gwen Burton Freeman*, Debra, and Sammy are well. Gwen recently heard from *Mary Lu Wright Whaling*. *Anne Faw* Bernard has another daughter, Susan, 4½ months old. *Betty Dixon Brooks* has a son, Paul Harrington, who was born November 11. *Jean Room* Robinson, '51, lives in Coral Gables, Florida, and has three children, Robin, Ricky, and Roland. *Betty Jean Gilmer* Young visited *Pennie West Covington* in November. Pennie says little Beth Young is an adorable 2-year-old with blond curls. She and Matthew Covington had a good time. *Betty Lankford Peck* and Dick are having a grand year in New York on leave from their church in Charlotte for Dick to finish his doctorate. They find time to see all the plays, operas, concerts, etc. *Jean Webster* Southall and family live in Abbeville, Louisiana. Larry is still with the Explosive Department of DuPont. Their oldest son, L. T., is 5 and Bobby is 3.

A long letter from *Nancy Kirchner* Eliason says that in October they moved from Dallas to West Linn, Oregon, near Portland because Bill has been promoted to Chrysler's Portland Regional Manager. They have a wonderful house with a view of Mt. Hood and skiing nearby. On January 3rd, William Taleott was born. Nancy says that her step-son Charlie dearly loves Little Bill and is an expert at diaper changing; that for a six-year-old who doesn't care whether his shirt-tail is in or out, he's mighty particular how his baby brother looks!

*Pat Bailey* Shaw says she gave up her

job as society editor for the local newspaper last summer and on July 31 had a little girl. She also reports that *Clara Jane* had a little boy born December 14.

NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Joan Mertz*, who is with American Express Travel Service, had a holiday in London last fall. *Moselle Palmer* is assistant professor of physical education at Salem College in Winston-Salem, N. C. She sees *Mary Lu Wright Whaling* often. *Mary Jane Stuecky Baxter* is enjoying a new home in Dermott, Arkansas. *Emme Wingate Hawn* sent news of their first child, Benjamin, who will be a year old in June.

### 1951

Class Secretary: *PAT Hoshall JACOWAY*, (Mrs. John), 614 Park Avenue, Ayden, North Carolina.

It is wonderful to hear from all of you. I especially appreciate the cards and letters from those who say they have no news, but take time to write a line or two anyway. *Lil Bedinger Taylor* is among those and says she is still "retired and very happy being a stay-at-home wife. Their little Alice May is such fun these days.

*Lynn Dazel* Lipsey and John have two children now, Crawford 2, and Lisa 6 months. Lynn and John spent a year in San Francisco, and now John is a resident in Pediatrics at Ochsner Foundation Hospital in New Orleans. Next year he will complete his residency at Charity Hospital there. *Fifi Wade Haverty* and Bobby visited them last summer. Lynn reported that *Martha Hebron Russell* has three little girls now.

*Marty Frierson* Hallett has moved to Richmond and is enjoying it. Marty reports, "Kathryn (Kathy) was born September 20, 1957; so now I have two prospective MBC girls. Patty, who will soon be 4 years old, is quite tickled with little sister."

*Betty Ann Williams Bradford* and Ralph have returned to the States after a tour of duty in Germany and are living in Columbia, S. C. They have two little girls, Beth 3½ and Laura Susan 1½, and a new son Ralph, III.

Kathy and Becky Brown now have a brother. *Donna Davis* Brown and Leland proudly announce the birth of Leland Warren Brown, III (Beau). He was born January 14th and weighed 7 lbs. *Ann Alexander* Spener and family have moved into a new home which they bought. Jimmy is 7 now, and Gail is almost 5. Ann said that *Coralee Courtney* Walker had a little girl, Becky Louise, on August 3, 1957. The Walkers have another girl and a boy.

*Rusty* (18 months) now has a brother, *Gordon* (7 months). *Betty Harwood Copland* and Al are the happy parents. *Gordon Harrison* was born October 22 and weighed 8 lbs. 5 oz. *Betty* is working at the Department of Public Welfare part of each day. Be sure to see *Rusty's* picture.

*Nancy Kunkle Carey* told of seeing several in our class during the Christmas holidays. *Polly Silling Simmons* and *Dottie Bridges* Adams were home for a visit. Nancy also said that *Lorraine Bruback* *Weller* Dally is at home in Staunton while her husband is overseas. Polly sent such a cute picture of Chris who is almost a year old now. Be sure to see it. She said that construction had begun on the first unit of their church and that they hoped to be in it by Easter (this past one).

Such a nice long letter from *Maria Cusceres de Gonzalez* Navarra. Her husband is a physician, and they are now living in Barranquilla. Maria said that she loves hearing from her old friends. Her new address is: Mrs. Cristobal de Gonzalez Navarra, Carrerra 41B #F250, Barranquilla, Columbia, S. A. Maria's little girl, Pat, was 6 in January. She is attending an American school called "Marymount School." She graduated from kindergarten in November and was among the first four of her class. Her special medal was for English. In February she started first grade.

*Jacquie McClenney* is living in Balti more. She and her sister, Diane, have an apartment where there are a lot of young people living. Jacquie says it's fun, and they're like one, big, happy family.

Do notice the picture of *Mitzie Fick* Shaw's precious family. Don't the twins look exactly like Mitzie?

When the Nation's Ten Outstanding Young Men for 1957 were announced by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Dr. Richard DeWall, husband of *Diane Prettyman DeWall*, was among them. This honor was richly deserved by Dick, a surgeon, who developed a simplified mechanical heart-lung apparatus.

John and I have moved from Southern Pines to Ayden, N. C., a small town 10 miles south of Greenville. On April 1st, John began his private practice of dentistry here. It is such a friendly little town, and we think we have chosen a wonderful place to live. Be sure to see the picture of Bob. He was 8 months old when it was taken and is a year old now.

I'll be looking forward to hearing from more of you before October. Do write and let me know your news.

NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Marilyn Walseth* Gano's two boys, Robbie and Rickie, have a new baby brother, James, born February 18th. *Stuart Mosley* Ellis and Inman moved from Savannah to Mobile last spring when he became president of the ELM Equipment Company. Their son, Inman, Jr., was born in January. Last fall, Arnold Taylor, husband of *Lil Bedinger Taylor*, did a wonderful photostory of Apple Day at Mary Baldwin for the Sunday magazine section of the *Washington Star*; maybe some of you saw it. *Sally Bland* Cox Lee has a daughter, Sally Bland, born last September. *Mary Lou Christie* Schroeder has three daughters, Martha 4, Nancy 16 months, and Diane

Lee born in January. *Anne Marie Newton* Walker has two sons, Tommy, III, who will be 3 in August and John Newton who will be a year in July. *Mary Carolyn Hollers* Jutson is living in Abilene, Tex., where Bob is manager of publicity and conventions for the Chamber of Commerce.

## 1952

Class Secretary: *BETSY BOOTH*, 53 Malvern Ave., Apt. 5, Richmond, Va.

Dear Class,

I'm going to place a star in *Joyce Acker* Rathf's crown for sending me such a nice long letter with a picture of her 3 adorable children and lots of news.

She writes that she and Jimmy have been living in Birmingham for two years now and that she has 3 little boys to keep her busy! Kim is 4, Bill almost 2 and Bryan 8 mos. "It doesn't look like I'll have any little future Mary Bladwinites, but I'll be able to furnish lots of dates for the class of 1980." Don't miss seeing the picture of her three boys. Joyce says that *Babs Barinowski* Hutchinson lives a couple of blocks from her with 2 little boys and a baby girl born in November. *Evie Chapman Creel* has a little girl named Lynn, and *Jane Spaw* Mason lives in Arlington, Texas, and has a little girl and a little boy.

*Jane Woodruff* Lucas and Ted have a baby girl born in July. She is named Jane Campbell and will be called Cam. As I reported in the fall issue, Jane and Ted were to return to New Orleans in March.

I enjoyed your many Christmas cards. On her card *Flossie Wimberly* Hellinger told me that Frank started a residency in July in Neurosurgery which will keep them in Ohio  $3\frac{1}{2}$  more years. Then Uncle Sam will have the next 2—whew! Have you seen the cute picture of *Anita Garcia* Nadal's little girl Ana Carmen? Ana sent me a big hug and kiss all the way from Puerto Rico and I only wish I could collect it. Anita and Ernesto are living in their hometown, Mayaguez. *Ann Foulkes* Dodd and Dick sent me the cutest picture of Whitney for Christmas saying, "She gets around faster than Sputnik!" Be sure to look for it. In July Dick begins a 3-year residency and then hopes to hang out the shingle finally in 1960.

*Annie Brown* Peacock's baby was born on July 22 and from the sound of her letter, she was well worth missing reunion for! Her name is Melanie Ann and Annie B. writes, "She is growing so and such a joy. I just wonder how we got along without her and what we talked about before." Don't miss her cute picture. *Alice Ball* Watts sent me news Christmas that *Patsy Murphrey* was married to 2nd Lt. Bruce Whitman on November 9. They are stationed in Florida and plan to live in New York City after the service tour. Alice also said that *Pat Young* has quite a full life modeling, t-ving, and acting in Dallas

and New York. Pat, I sent you a card to N. Y. and am most anxious to hear from you.

To *Lou Breedlove* Kettle I want to express our sympathy on the loss of her father last fall.

*Mary Porter Phinizy* Vann sends me word that she is kept busy with three children and housework. Their third baby ("a boy finally") arrived 3 days before Christmas. Bebe is  $2\frac{1}{2}$  and Mary will be 6 in September! Goodness, M. P., that's hard to believe! It was grand hearing from *Frank Drummond Youngblood* again. She has spent the past year as Director of Children's Art Classes in Jackson, Miss. She was responsible for 300 elementary school age children with a teacher and 2 or 3 assistants for each grade. These classes were held every Saturday morning and were free of charge. They were co-sponsored by the Junior League, Mississippi Art Association, and the Y. W. C. A. How about sending me some 2nd grade ideas, Frank?

*Jean Amory Wornom* and Leake proudly announce the birth of Thomas Amory Wornom on January 25th. "Tommy weighed in at 7 lbs, 6 oz. and is sooooo precious—Leake and I are mighty proud of our 2 boys." *Ruth Harrison Quillen* sends news of a big happy boy who was born on November 4th—Kirk Randolph Quillen. They have a little girl, too.

All the Texas gals are talking about *Patsy Murphrey*'s wedding. *Margaret King* Stanley sent me these details: "She was a glamorous bride and he a handsome blond. Also wearing blue satin bridesmaid's dresses were *Dodie McDonald*, '53, *Alice Ball* Watts, and *Laura Hillhouse* Cadawallader. *Ann Toole* Cottingham and many other MBC girls were present." Margaret says that Laura has 2 adorable babies and a beautiful modern home. Margaret is still teaching the 4th grade and is vice-president of the local Texas State Teacher's Association. My that sounds impressive, Margaret. She and her husband are planning a trip to Haiti, Havana, and Jamaica.

*Margaret Kyle* Hopkins is leading a busy life with her 2 children, Pam 4, and Brudge 18 mos. Don't miss their cute picture taken with their good-looking daddy.

At this writing, Richmond is a cold and frozen city. We had  $7\frac{1}{2}$  inches of snow over the week-end and schools have been closed for 3 days! Of course that thrills Ann, Margie, and me. We have had plenty of opportunity to enjoy all the winter sports. We've been ice skating, sleigh riding, and skiing. We were all terribly upset to see *Elsie Nelms* Nash and Rody leave Richmond. Rody has taken a job with the Investment Corporation of Norfolk. They are living in Newport News until they can find a place in Norfolk or at the Beach.

Dr. Spencer was in Richmond for a meeting in the fall and came out to visit our neighbors. When he heard there were 3 MBC girls living upstairs, he came up

for a chat. We enjoyed talking to him so much.

I understand we have a lost member of the Class of '52—this will never do. Anybody with information concerning *Barbara Clayton* please send it to me right away.

Mother and I rented a cottage at Virginia Beach last summer on 46th Street and hope to be there again this summer. Please, if any of you are at the Beach, call and come by.

Betsy

## NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

Our sympathy is expressed to *Martha Godwin* Saunders whose father died in February and to *Frank Drummond Youngblood* whose mother died, also in February.

*Peggy Shelton* and *Mary Margaret Beale*, '56, plan a trip abroad this summer, a tour that includes twelve countries. *Pat Macon* Lyon writes of a daughter, Patricia Anne, born last August. She says her stepsons, 6 and 5, think she is absolutely marvelous! *Nancy Ann Gray* Waller's husband Alan, is supervisor in the Accounting Section of the C & P Telephone Company. They have 2 boys, Alan, Jr. 3, and Jimmy. *Patsy DeHardill Hicks*' husband is an assistant Attorney General in Richmond, Va. *Lynn Lytton* Hamer and Fred have a daughter, Catherine Lynn, born January 18. She is called Cathy. *Martha Brown* works in the Research Department of McCann-Erickson, Inc., an advertising agency in Houston. *Penelope Watson* Scott and Stan are in Pasadena, Calif., where he's instructing ROTC in

## GOING TO EUROPE—PLANNING TO VISIT THE WORLD'S FAIR?

Then you'll be particularly interested to know that a Mary Baldwin alumna is associated with the U. S. National Exhibit. *Elizabeth Moody*, '35, went to Brussels in February and will be there through October for the entire period of the Fair. She is secretary and editorial assistant to the chief of the Press and Publications Office of the U. S. National Exhibit.

In writing us about this, Elizabeth said: "Hope to see some Mary Baldwin girls at the U. S. Pavilion in 1958."

So—Don't miss this opportunity to add a personal and extra special touch to your World's Fair experience!



the high school. They have a little girl, Penelope, born last September. *Lucy Jones* took a six weeks' trip around the world last fall.

### 1953

#### CLASS REUNION - MAY 31

Class Secretary: MARGARET GARRETT, 4316 46th Street, N. W., Washington 16, D. C.

Time is growing short . . . May 31 is just around the corner . . . Have you made your plans to be in Staunton the last week end in May?

This time I'm going to give you just a "tantalizing" bit of the news for fuller coverage be in Staunton, Va., at Commencement time!!

I had a note from the new Mrs. Kenneth W. Hodges (*Marcia Mumma*) who is living in Oakland, Calif. Former room mate, *Wuber Stoner* Taylor, was a bridesmaid in Ken and Marcia's November wedding. The new address for the Hodges is: 3545 Harrison Street, Apartment 4, Oakland, Calif.

After the grand tour of Europe last summer, *Alice Welsch* writes that she is working for her father in Ft. Worth these days. *Lou Calhoun* Bohem is living in Roanoke (2521 Longview Ave., S. W., to be exact) since husband, Keith, finished dental school. The Bohems have a 3-year-old daughter, *Nancy Daugherty* is now the Assistant Dean of Women at the University of Oregon.

*Mitchell (Mitch) Wingfield Llewellyn* was born December 2. The proud parents are John and *Pat Wingfield Llewellyn*, Gettys Smith, a young man of 1 year, is the handsome son of John and *Nelle McCants Smith*.

One of our most recent brides is *Nelson Fray* who was married in April to Robert D. Roller, III. Nelson and Bob are living at 307 15th Street, N. W., Charlottesville, where Bob is in medical school.

It was good to get *Pat Cook Jackson's* letter with the reunion schedule in it. How much fun it will be to see everyone again and to catch up on the news of these last five years. Make your reservations soon come early stay late—make this the best reunion ever!

### 1954

Class Secretary: DAPHNE Brown ROBERTSON, (Mrs. William Lee), 557 Linden Dr., Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Dear Class:

First, comes news too late for the last issue. *Ashley Wyatt* is teaching arts and crafts at Collegiate Country Day School

Leigh Ann, daughter of *Bee Belshee Duff*, '55, Whitney, daughter of *Ann Fowlkes Dodd*, '52, Ana Carmen, daughter of *Anita Garcia Nadal*, '52.

in Richmond. She is active in the American Club there and also the Commonwealth Chapter of the D. A. R. S. *Marion Torrence* and *Charlton* are busy horse building last fall. She wrote that *Jules Kester* Blythe and Sam had a little girl, *Nancy Lovelace*, born October 3. Belated congratulations. *Julia, June* and *Sam* are living in Charlotte now. Also had a letter from *Jeannie Taylor*. She has a new job as assistant to the Public Relations Director of an advertising and public relations firm said she was doing a little of everything and loves it. She wrote too that *Jay Caldwell Ross* and *Graham* love being "in the country." Their address is Kennedy Road, Mendham, New Jersey.

Now for the current news. *Jessie Carr* Hayden and *Pat* have moved to Hopewell, Virginia (2409 Danville Street). *Pat* is Project Engineer for the Continental Car Co., and *Jessie* is teaching seventh grade at Prince George School. *Babe Beasley* Burr and *Grif* are living in Florida now (Box 62, Ponte Vedra, Beach and have an apartment one block from the ocean. They have a daughter, *Rebecca*, born last October 4. *Ann Hadaway* Greer and *George* have two little girls now. *Ann Bolling* was born May 31, 1957. *Ann* says they are "typical proud parents." She had seen *Pat Neisler* Plonk and two little girls in Asheville. *Donia Craig* Dickerson and *Barford* are proud parents of a baby son, *William Buford*, III, born February 7, 1958. *Jean Fear* Clements and *Russ* became proud parents of a daughter, *Donna Lynn*, born November 11, 1957. Congratulations to you, *Jean*, and to *Donia*. *Pat Andrews* Middlekauff wrote that her doctor is *Elizabeth Martin's* father; also the new minister, Reverend Thomas Jackson, of the Presbyterian Church they attend, knows Dr. Frank Bell Lewis and Dr. Turner real well. Tis a small world.

Blessings on *Louise Fawcett* and *Gig Eversole* Herdman for their newsy letter. *Gig* had seen *Joan Dartmouth Haydon* last year before *Joan* left for Japan with three children and two dogs. *Gig, Ron*, and their two children had been in an automobile accident but all are doing fine now. *John and Paul* and *Dave Elder* were married December 7. *Jessie* said "the wedding was lovely and *Johnna*, radiant." *Cookie Hunter Murray* and *Judy Fann Kenan* were bridesmaids. *Andrea Beth* took a trip to Europe last fall. *Anne Doshier Read* and *Tom* have built a home in Charleston. *Fish*, do you have *Anne's* address? Many thanks to you and *Gig*!

Would love to copy all of *Connie Headapohl* Pikaart's wonderful letter from Iceland, but can hit only the high spots. *Len* is stationed there with the Army and *Connie* has a Civil Service job at the base commissary as an accounts maintenance clerk. They live with an Icelandic family who speak English. *Connie* says the Icelandic language is difficult to speak, that they can now understand some of it but can't speak much at all. Iceland is not the land of

ice which most people expect, she writes; in February the temperature was about 20; in the summer it's warm and sunny and about 50 degrees. The days in November and December are very short, the shortest being about 4 hours, but in the summer the days are very long and it is light until midnight during June. During the spring or summer they hope to go to Europe. They expect to return home in September when Len will be discharged, and he will then enter the U. of Va. for his last year of college.

The winter out here has been mild this year—no snow for nearly a month and several almost warm days. Next Christmas may find us back east—we hope.

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Barbara Williams* Tapp is living in Columbia and has two boys, Clay 2½ and Gary 8 months. *Mary Carol Cresswell* Short and Jack have a son Tommy born last August. Jack will graduate in June from Western Reserve Law School and they plan to settle somewhere in Ohio. *Norma Ball* Heuer is living in Pelham, N. Y., where her husband is with Cities Service Oil Company. Their daughter Linda Ball will be a year old in July. *Widgee Switzer* Zirkle's son, Walter, III, was born last November. Her husband is a doctor and they are with "Uncle Sam" for two years. While Pat finishes medical school, *Judy Vann* Kenan is working as a secretary-receptionist for a doctor in Durham, N. C. *Pat Neisler* Plonk and her family are living in Kings Mountain, N. C., where they bought an old colonial home.

Our sympathy is expressed to *Lee Pierce* Mosso whose father died in December.

*Anne Robinson* Brown is living in Atlanta and has a boy ten months old. *Elizabeth O'Neal* Livingston and her family are at Ft. Benning. Their little girl is named Beth. *Jackie Theobald* was married last October to P. Stuart Grant, III, and they are living in Miami, Fla.

#### 1955

Class Secretary: *MARGARET NEEL*  
*Query KELLER*, (Mrs. T. F.), 1039  
Baldwin St., Ann Arbor, Mich.

Several cards reached me just after the deadline in the fall, and I want to report on them first. *Martha Richardson Allen* wrote a grand note about their son, Elliott, and their new home in Montgomery. *Rae Radar* reported in from Tulsa where she is working as a private secretary after spending a time in interior decorating. Rae has also been participating in some civic activities, including the Little Theatre, and wrote that she has been industrious enough to take a light course in Law—which sounds very industrious to me. One of our "Easterners" reports that she has followed the trail west—but to Texas, instead of Oklahoma. *Franzie Hafer* is the dietician at the Houston Club in Houston. When she wrote last fall, she

had just returned from a European tour with her parents.

*Najia Hassen* is a sophomore at Baylor University Medical School and reports that her work there takes up all her time, energy and effort, but that she does like it even if it exhausts her. There must be some "play time," though, because Nana also reports that she's just bought a convertible! Also in Texas is *Jamie Maverick* Killian. She and her family are settled back in San Antonio after their army duty. Jamie has three children, Robert 3, Jamie Lynn 2, and a new baby, Jennie. Jamie was good to catch us up on *Mary Lou Stone*, who is teaching school in Europe, and *Judy Pattison* Price, who is living in Austin while her husband attends the University of Texas. *Barbara Shaefer* Davis is living in Littlefield, Texas, where her husband is assistant manager of a department store. Barbara has two daughters, Mary Elizabeth 2, and Nina 1.

There is news of other children, too. *Priscilla Markley* Cook and Bill added a new daughter to their family on October 24th. Priscilla promises to send a picture of little Priscilla (Cilla) and older sister, Libby, for the next bulletin. *Sarah McMullan* Barber has a third child, Melanie Margaret Cecilia, and Sarah also reports that Frank has just been admitted to the District of Columbia bar. *Margili Sykes* Griffey's husband, Earl, is on the last lap of his internship before establishing a general practice in Texas. Margili and Earl have been living here in Ann Arbor and in Benton Harbor, Mich., during alternate six months while he has been interning. They have two children, Bill 18 months, and Lynn, who was born in September. *Barbara Samaras* Schooley is living in Cincinnati where her husband is a dentist. They welcomed a daughter, Angela Kay, about seven months ago. Also north of the Mason-Dixon line is *Grace Martin Lusk* whose husband is a Sales Engineer for American Lava Co. in Chicago. Grace has a young son, Stephen Elliot, born June 9. Just earlier than that date, on May 23, *Summer Riddick Pugh*, III, arrived in *Patty Tipton* Pugh's household in Keyesville. News of another son reached me via a cooperative grandmother. Mrs. Overton writes that *Lucile Overton Adams* is in Vicenza, Italy, with her husband who is stationed there, and that their son, Larry, was a year old in February.

It was good to learn of the marriages of two of our class whose good news we'd missed in other round-ups. *Alice Frederick* Dietz was married in December, 1956, to a Texas University graduate who is a geologist in Houston. *Rosa May Boswell* Minton also writes that she has been married nearly two years, and is teaching school in Petersburg, Va., while her husband, Preston, finishes school. More recent wedding news comes from Orlando, Fla., where *Elizabeth Branham* became Mrs. *Tedford Valentine* Eidsom on December 28, 1957. Ricki's husband is in the insurance and

real estate business. Texas was the site of two other recent weddings. In June, *Patricia Dilworth* married Major Mark Bootner, a first cousin of *Annie Phillips* Schweizer who flew to San Antonio to be Pat's matron-of-honor. In December, *Patricia Seely* was married to *Dee Sterling* Osborne in Baytown. Our best wishes to all of these couples.

*Patsy Rutherford* Miller wrote a wonderfully newsy letter from Staunton, Va. She and Bill bought a home on Selma Boulevard last April and have been occupied since "fixing up things" and running after their son. Be sure to see Jimmy's picture in this issue, and also that of *Leigh Anne Duff*, *Bee Belshee* Duff's daughter. Since the last NEWS LETTER *Bee* has moved to Fairfield, Va., a small community between Lexington and Staunton. Another Stauntonian, *Gypsy Floyd*, has left "home territory" to work on her masters in music at the University of Kentucky. *Joane Tannehill* Moorhead is continuing to live in Staunton but her reply sounds as if that's only home base. When she wrote she was just back from a trip to Mexico and was anticipating more trips this spring as the Washington sports car season starts in full swing. *Mary Devlin* Sullivan writes from Richmond that her husband, who has been attending Union Theological Seminary, is taking pre-med courses at the University of Richmond this year preparatory to entering the University of Tennessee Medical School this summer. In June they will be heading back to Memphis.

*Lou McClung* Cockrell writes from Perrysburg, Ohio, that she and her 3-year-old daughter, Baker, are living there with her mother and father. *Gail Samuels* Morse is in Los Altos, Cal., where her husband is an electrical engineer. They have bought a home there, and she says it and a puppy are keeping her busy at the moment. *Ann Covin* is also in California, in Covina, where she is teaching kindergarten and studying piano. Ann reports that she's currently planning a college-sponsored trip to three deserts for camping and sightseeing during spring holidays. I can't imagine, and I do hope that Covin will write us in detail for the Fall NEWS LETTER!

*Laure Clausen* '56 answered the card which I sent to her sister, Janet, and what grand news it contained. Janet sailed on September 15 for Denmark, and after spending a month in Copenhagen with her father's family, travelled to Frankfort, Germany, where she is the secretary at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church. She is planning to spend the summer in her grandmother's home in Norby Fan, a Danish island, painting.

News from us here in Ann Arbor would be mild after such delightfully cosmopolitan activities—but, especially since there is not much one can say about a Ph.D-seeking husband except that he's nearer the end than he was last fall. Tom has decided to stay here to write his dissertation, which means that we will probably be here until next

summer, if all goes well and he gets to start it this summer. Meanwhile we are becoming rather attached to these cold snowy winters, and, although I am sure Miss Reid could never believe it, we have actually begun, at least, to ice skate, and next winter we promise ourselves a ski trip to Canada. At the moment, however, we are anticipating a long weekend in New York in April, and may the weatherman please promise us at least one breath of spring while we are there!

#### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Gale Crews Gramley* has a daughter, *Dale Hartzler*, born last November. *Tommie Hornbarger Wright* was married March 29th to *Thomas Franklin Clemmer*. They will live near Staunton at Middlebrook, Va.

Our sympathy is expressed to *Janet James Peters* whose baby boy was still born in January. Janet lives in Dayton, Ohio. Her husband, Tom, is with L. M. Berry Co. and travels in Ohio.

#### 1956

Class Secretary: *Nancy Bostom Downs*, (Mrs. Eugene M.), Box 22, Clifton Forge, Va.

Dear Class:

As I went over the cards and letters I have received from you for the fall '57 NEWS LETTER and this one, I find that thirty-six of you have been silent a year! Unless your address is incorrect you should have received at least two "words" from me since last summer—a double postcard and a Christmas address list. I can't send double post cards each time, so please, keep me up to date on yourselves without coaxing.

Since weddings always interest us, I'll put that news first. *Dolty Hobby's* marriage was referred to in the last letter, but I did not know that her new name is Mrs. Richard Stanford Travis. They are living in Atlanta, Ga. *Faye Duke* married James R. Lewis, Jr., and she has a government job as a clerk with administration and price support. *Marta Pope* was married last August and is now Mrs. John Donato. They are living in Brooklyn. Congratulations to all these girls and their new stations in life!

I received Christmas cards and notes from many class members, and among them were *Ann Ritchie Robertson*, *Sue Dozier Morris*, *Elaine Baldwin*, *Margie Mowl*, *Shelby Penn Mooney*, *Patly*

*Parker*, and *Betty Ballentine*. There have been no changes to report, though I did not know until then that Betty has a position in the library at the University of South Carolina.

*Mimi Carpenter* is back in Greenville where she is a chemist at a textile finishing plant. She worked in Rome, Ga. for nearly a year prior to her return. *Tobie Cade* continues to work in Indianapolis and is thinking of Europe or San Francisco in the spring. We hope a trip does work out for you, Tobie. I was delighted to see *Mary Margaret Reid*, *Reid Strickland*, and *Mary Colonna Robertson* in Norfolk in December. We thought of a lot of our classmates and exchanged news and memories of days at M.B.C. All three of those girls are in the teaching profession. *Reid* in Richmond; the Marys, Norfolk.

*Chichi Gay* is working at the American Chamber of Commerce in Buenos Aires and is trying to come back to the States to work. *Ann Meeks McCormack* and *Bunny Bantin Hovater* will be pleased to know their daughters were born the same day last year; that being October 26 means something special to

## In Memoriam

*Lelia Berry Ewing*, 86 years of age

*Louise Brugh*

*Margaret McChesney*, '79, January, 1957

*Florence Murphy Fisher*, '85, October, 1957

*Nannie McIlwaine Moore*, '85

*Jennie McCall Boyd*, '86

*Maggie Belle Dickerson Thompson*, '87

*Jennie Thomas Robeson*, '88

*Mary Swineford Danner*, '89

*Elizabeth Graham Sanders*, '90

*Minnie C. Winn Fryer*, '91

*Nell Crow Henderlite*, '91

*Minnie C. Bohon Raine*, '91

*Ella Williams*, '92

*Winifred Goodwin*, '93

*Maude Baer Bowles*, '94, October, 1957

*Anne McIlwaine Riddle*, '95

*Mary Fountaine Ranson Jaffe*, '95, March, 1958

*Ethel Makemson Perry*, '96

*Martha Lee White Kroesch*, '99, March, 1958

*Eleanor Ervine Whipple*, '00, December, 1957

*Mary Margaret Lyle MacCorkle*, '01, February, 1958

*Elizabeth Ellen Dooley Burton*, '03

*Alice Surber*, '03

*Willie Nelson Maxwell Richards*, '04

*Mary Lou Dull Ridge*, '08

*Jessie Walden Bell Wilkinson*, '11

*Jessie Alexander Taylor*, '14, April, 1958

*Thelma Kennedy White*, '15

*Blanche Sprinkle*, '24, December, 1957

*Mildred Keane McGinnis*, '33, December, 1957

*Frances Alger Shaw Phelps*, '34

*Elizabeth Lindsay Epps Sharp*, '34

*Missie Alexander Frakes*, '44, October, 1957

*Jean Emery Loeke*, '44

*Mary McDavid Sadler*, '44, Spring, 1957

yours truly, because that's my birthday, too. Buny and Kim hope to get back to Norfolk when he gets out of "Sub School" in July. Ann and Jack McCormack are living in Sardinia, Ohio, where he has a church. Jack commutes to Louisville Seminary each week so that he may graduate in May. Their daughter is named Lisa Ann.

*Jeanette Fisher* Reid and Dick announce the birth of Elizabeth on December 2nd. Jeanette says her personality is definitely asserting itself, even so early. Frank and *Bitsy Watson* Kirby have a daughter, Martha Caroline, born December 18th. The exquisite birth announcement was edged in pink to herald her arrival. *Patty Perlitz* Williams and Dave had a New Year's Day baby, Kathleen Hardin. Dave has one more year in the Navy where he is a hydrographic officer on an ocean floor surveying ship. *Ruth Lawrence* Gualano and Dino have a little girl, Karen Lee, who was born in July, 1956. They are living in Chicago now. *Ann Dick Lovelady* is thrilled with having a new house. She and Ray find that 16-month-old Bill is "really a handful." *Claire Trotti* Stephens says, "Parenthood is the most wonderful thing in the world," and her Jan is a love. *Claire Fontaine Rice* says Rex isn't still for a moment—not even for a picture for their Christmas card. It was so good to hear from *Skeeter Hutcheson* Broadbridge. She, Don, and Don III are living in suburban Chicago. Hope you and Jeanette have been able to get together and "introduce your babies" as you planned.

*Katy Keller* Maultsby and Tom are at Fort Hood with the army. Hope you've gotten used to Texas by now, Katy. I'm sure the Texans have big hearts too. Since Frank got out of the Navy earlier than expected, *Ellen Gibson Shaw* and Paige moved with him to Clemson, S. C., where he is studying architecture. Glad you all are settled for a while now.

*Mike and Shirley Perkins* Jezierski moved into their new home in Houston just before Christmas. You "settled" ones will know how delighted they are.

Happy summer and spring to all of you. Remember:

Whenever you move,  
Have news on a baby  
Please send me a card—  
Right away, not "maybe"!

Our news is *Lynda Blair* Downs who was born February 28th, and all you parents know how proud we are of her.

Nancy

NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Lib Malone* Mehr and Mike have a son, Michael Patrik, Jr., born December 7, and *Dolly Adair* Atmaca has a daughter, Margaret Adair, born March 14. Dolly's Robert is now two years old. *Carolyn Evans* McCord has a daughter, Sharon Leigh, born last October. *Tish Casey* Radulski and Bob are living at Mt. Vernon, Ill. *Betty Bradford* Norman and Dick are in Baytown, Tex., where Dick has a job as a junior engi-

neer with the Texas Eastern Transmission Company. *Carolyn Craig* Terrell's daughter, Kathleen Dale, was born last November. *Morther Hull* Black and Bob live in Bastrop, La., where he is an engineer with International Paper. Their little girl, Ginger, is little over two and Bob is just about a year old. *Georgiana Stickley* Meginley, who is living in Portsmouth, Va., has a daughter, Elizabeth Leigh, born last October. *Diane Hutchinson* Stucki and Donald have a son, Douglas Allen, born January 10.

Our sympathy to *Clare Trotti* Stephens whose father died quite suddenly last October.

## 1957

### CLASS REUNION — MAY 31

Class Secretary: *JEANNE MIKELL KLINE*, 3509 Chamberlayne Ave., Richmond, Va.

Hello, fellow classmates:

All of us here pursuing careers in the civil war capital greet you. We hope that you are having lots of luck with your jobs as well as having lots of fun.

I don't know about you all but I sure miss Mary Baldwin. When things get going their hectic best, it would be nice to be back in the library or playing pool in upper back. Sometimes I wouldn't mind being in class or working on a term paper. Wait a minute now, maybe I'm getting carried away.

If you get to Richmond please do call me. I would love to see you and especially would like to hear all the news. I'm in the phone book.

*Barbara Bullock* Graham reports that she is happily settled with Jack in their apartment in Arlington. She is teaching school but says that her class is strange to say the least. She sees lots of *Sara Burwell* because her NSA office has moved to Maryland. Sara says that she loves it in the career-minded world but misses Jerry. *Beverly Bishop* worked for her father in Kentucky from July to October and is now back in Texas working for him there.

*Jeanne Darnell* works for the First and Citizen's National Bank in Alexandria and on Saturday's she is secretary to the Minister of Music at her church. She also works with the teenagers of the church, recently had 60 on the TV show in Washington. *Mary Ellen Cranwell* is in Richmond staying with me and has a job as secretary to a divisional buyer at Thalhimer's. She loves her work but says that it is the hardest row she has ever hoed and that she wasn't cut out for the working life! *Ada Lou Worth* married Ken Turner February 15. I went down to Warwick for the wedding and that was the week end of the big blizzard. I saw *Dottie Hayden* Gilman and her husband. They are living in Warwick now and love it. *Jean Breeden* was there also so we had a tiny reunion.

I received an announcement of *Mutt Jamerson's* wedding to William Marshall Kirk which took place in Orlando on February 8. We all wish Mutt and Ada Lou every happiness.

### NEWS RECEIVED IN THE ALUMNAE OFFICE:

*Corinne Currie* was married December 30th to Hunter Lane and they live in Memphis. He is a W & L law school graduate and is practicing law with his father. *Nancy Oliver* Carper and "Brother" live in Birmingham where he is in the real estate business. *Laura Lowe* was married last fall to Martin Medley and they live in Nashville. Her husband is in law school at Vanderbilt and she teaches biology in Litton High School. *Sherill Gerdig* Miller has a new son born March 11. *Caroline Pierce* was married in January to Lt. Donald Hollerer. He is a West Point graduate and was an All American football star. They are in Honolulu now with the army. *Nan Candler* was a bridesmaid in their wedding. *Julie Band* changed jobs when NSA moved out of Washington, is now working as a correspondent secretary for an encyclopedia publishing company. *Frances Story* works at Doubleday, Inc., in New York. *Nancy Hays Howe* has a daughter born last August and named Ellen Venable. *Charlotte Walker* was married last October to Lt. Robert Harold Jennings. *Marjorie Coe* was married last June to James McFadden. They are living in Gainesville, Fla., where he is a senior at U. of Florida. *Shannon Greene* Mitchell and Denny announced the birth of Anne Paige on March 27th.

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*Bruce Suttle* Winfield and Gordon have a daughter, Bruce Campbell, born December 5th. *Perry Wormon* Moore and Fay have a son, John Forest, born last July. They call him Jeff. *Cecilia Matthews* Anderson and Howard have a son. They are living in Staunton and Howard commutes to the U. of Va. *Harriet Dedwyler* is a dance major at Gordon College of Music in Indianapolis and expects to graduate in June. *Jacque Seaud* Westfall has a baby girl, Ann Ratcliffe will graduate in June from Mary Washington College. She writes that she still misses Mary Baldwin "more than I ever imagined possible." *Emily Luscher* completed her graduation requirements during the first semester of this year and was married in February to James Edward Parr. They are living in Richmond. *Jane Skinner* is now Mrs. James F. Crist.

*Martha Moseley* is studying this year at the Conservatory of Music in Vienna and also at the University of Vienna. She has made an extensive tour of Europe. She visited in Switzerland during the Christmas holidays and spent part of the time skiing. *Sweetheart* nominees at the U. of Texas are *Ann McFaddin* and *Sandra Esquivel*, both in the top five. At the University of Texas this year from the Class of '60 are *Carolyn Smith*, *Millicent Bleckley*, *Nancy Garrard*, *Carol Vanderwoude*, *Janice Kay Harkins*, *Jean Loffland*, and *Linda Larkin*. *Dorothy Pheris* was married February 1st to Richard Donald De Wald. *Ginger Palmer* is at Southwestern this year.

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# 116th Commencement Week End

May 31st and June 1st

## Saturday, Alumnae Day, May 31st

|                  |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 9:00-10:45 a. m. | Registration—Alumnae Office                                                                                                                                                          |
| 11:00 a. m.      | Annual Meeting of Alumnae Association—Activities Building                                                                                                                            |
| 1:00 p. m.       | Alumnae Luncheon—College Dining Room<br>(Price \$1.50; a reservation must be made and this should be done by Thursday, May 29th; tickets are to be picked up in the Alumnae Office.) |
|                  | Coffee (immediately following luncheon) for Alumnae, Faculty, and Staff—Bailey Hall                                                                                                  |
| 4:30 p. m.       | Class Day                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 5:30 p. m.       | Garden Party—Rose Terrace Lawn                                                                                                                                                       |
| 7:30 p. m.       | Reunion Dinners (Places to be announced)                                                                                                                                             |

## Sunday, June 1st

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| 9:00 a. m.  | Honor Society Breakfast                                                                                                            |
| 11:00 a. m. | Baccalaureate—First Presbyterian Church                                                                                            |
|             | Dr. Frank Wilson Price<br>Director, Missionary Research Library<br>New York, N. Y.                                                 |
|             | Former Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U. S., and for many years an outstanding missionary in China. |
| 3:00 p. m.  | Commencement—King Building                                                                                                         |
|             | Dr. Philip Grant Davidson, Jr.<br>President, University of Louisville<br>Louisville, Kentucky                                      |

## To Returning Alumnae:

A limited number of rooms, at a nominal fee of \$1.50 per person per night, will be available for alumnae in the dormitories. Reservations must be made by mail by Friday, May 23. PRIORITY WILL BE GIVEN TO REUNION CLASS MEMBERS, IN ORDER OF RESERVATION. Rooms will be ready for occupancy Friday, May 30, at 6:00 p. m. Your room reservation can be picked up at the Alumnae Office or at the reception desk in the Dean's Office. If necessary, we will make every effort to secure accommodations off campus.

If you wish to take your meals in the college dining room, it will be possible for you to do so, with the exception of the noon meal on Sunday. Tickets can be purchased at the reception desk in the Dean's office: breakfast, 50c; lunch (other than Alumnae Luncheon), 75c; and dinner, \$1.00.

## REUNION CLASSES

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